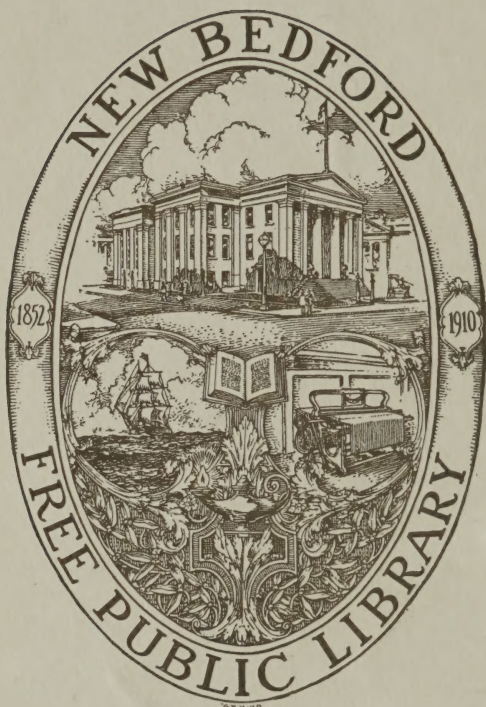


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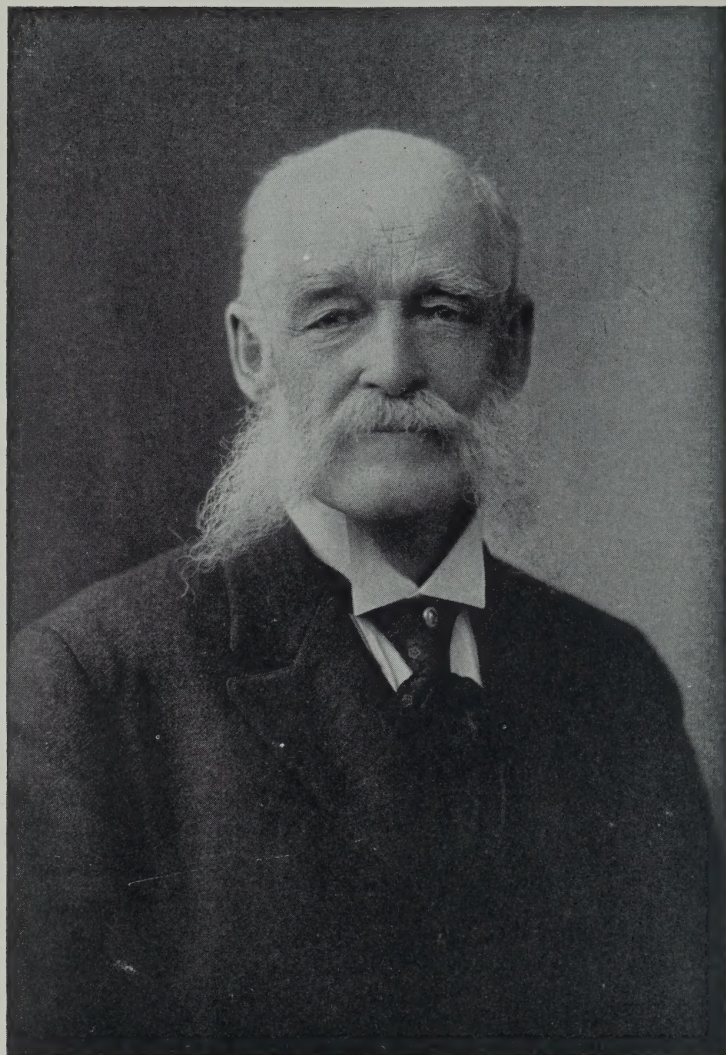
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DEPARTMENT COMMANDER  
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## GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

FANEUIL HALL, BOSTON, April 10, 1928.

The Sixty-second Annual Encampment of the Department of Massachusetts, Grand Army of the Republic, was assembled in Faneuil Hall on Tuesday, April the tenth, in accordance with General Orders from Headquarters.

Guard duty was performed by a detail from John A. Andrew Post 15 of Boston, in charge of David King, who officiated as Officer of the Day, assisted by John J. Lynn, Officer of the Guard, Guard William H. Eldridge, Robert Sweeney, Dennis Driscoll and Martin Feeney.

The Department Officers were formally conducted to the rostrum at 10 o'clock A.M.

Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee: "Comrades, I present the Commander of this Department, Comrade Henry A. Monk. Salute!"

Commander: "Comrades, this is the 62d Annual Encampment of the Department of Massachusetts, Grand Army of the Republic. Officer of the Day, are the approaches to the Encampment properly guarded?"

Officer of the Day: "Yes, sir."

Commander: "Are the Officers in their proper stations?"

Officer of the Day: "They are."

Commander: "The Chaplain will invoke the Divine Blessing. Parade rest!"

Chaplain George W. Nead, Post 169: "As has been our usual custom, let us spend just a few moments in silence, as we remember our departed Comrades.

"Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, in whom we live and move and have our being, give us all good things richly to enjoy. We thank Thee that so many of us can come together at this hour to attend this our sixty-second Department Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic.

"We thank Thee that Thou hast prolonged our lives until this occasion; that we have the use of our bodily and mental faculties, and that we can enjoy so many of the good things of life that Thou hast bestowed upon us.

"We thank Thee, O God, for our memories and the days that they call to mind, — the scenes in which we took part during 1861 and 1865, — to engage in that terrible conflict for the preservation of this Union. We remember as we stood face to face with a determined foe at Shiloh or Antietam or Gettysburg or Vicksburg; and Thou, O God, was with us and did give us strength in the day of battle to drive from the field those who were determined to destroy this Union and bring dishonor to our Cause.



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"O God, we pray Thee to bless the Grand Army of the Republic and all that are associated with us in our homes and halls, — our allied Orders that meet today in several different places in this city; we beseech Thee, O God, that Thou wilt help us and them to look to Thee who art our God, who was with us in the great struggle to save the life of this Nation.

"And we pray Thee, O God, when we are mustered out of the Service here that we may join the ranks of Thine own army above, where the tocsin of war is never heard, nor taps sounded for the dead, but where all is life and peace and glory.

"We ask it all in Thy great name. Amen!"

Commander: "This is the regular annual meeting of the Department of Massachusetts, Grand Army of the Republic, convened for the purpose of electing its Officers, and for such other business as may properly be brought before this Encampment. We meet in fraternity, charity and loyalty, and may all our hearts unite in the great objects of our association.

"I now declare this Encampment duly opened for the transaction of its business, and the Assistant Adjutant-General will call the roll of Officers."

### ROLL OF ENCAMPMENT.

(Comrades whose names are preceded by an asterisk [\*] were present.)

#### DEPARTMENT OFFICERS.

Commander	*HENRY A. MONK.
Senior Vice-Commander	*EDWIN J. FOSTER.
Junior Vice-Commander	*JAMES H. WEBB.
Medical Director	*JOHN GILBERT.
Chaplain	*Rev. GEORGE W. NEAD.

#### COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.

*CHARLES L. ROBINSON.	*HENRI BATCHELDER.
*DAVID KING.	*A. OTIS CHAMBERLIN.
*JAMES F. FLYNN.	

#### OFFICIAL STAFF.

Assistant Adjutant-General	*WILFRED A. WETHERBEE.
Assistant Quartermaster-General	EUGENE D. SANBORN.
Judge Advocate	HENRY W. MASON.
Inspector	*GEORGE W. COREY.
Chief Mustering Officer	*ROSWELL C. POWERS.
Patriotic Instructor	JOHN W. BEAN.
Chief of Staff	*EDWIN F. MORRILL.
Headquarters Clerk	*HELEN A. PHINNEY.

#### PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

*JOHN D. BILLINGS.	HORACE GOODWIN.
*WILFRED A. WETHERBEE.	*EDWIN F. MORRILL.
*GEORGE A. HOSLEY.	*HENRY CLARK.
*ALFRED H. KNOWLES.	*BENJAMIN A. HAM.
*GEORGE W. WILDER.	*HENRY N. COMEY.

**POSTS.****Wm. Logan Rodman Post 1, New Bedford.**

Commander, Nahum F. Nickelson.

S. V. C., \*John J. Holmes.

J. V. C., Benjamin F. Luther.

*Representative.*

\*George H. Carpenter.

*Alternate.*

George D. White.

**Dahlgren Post 2, South Boston.**

Commander, \*Benjamin A. Ham.

S. V. C., \*Frederick Whitney.

J. V. C., \*Edwin A. Cutter.

*Representative.*

William Piggren.

*Alternate.**Past Commanders.*

James H. Greene.

Benjamin M. Campbell.

\*George L. Hall.

\*Leander K. Marston.

**William H. Bartlett Post 3, Taunton.**

Commander, Oscar A. Hillard.

S. V. C., \*Edward F. Gilroy.

J. V. C., Rollins H. Babbitt.

*Representative.*

\*John M. Perry.

*Alternate.*

Thomas L. Smith.

*Past Commanders.*

John C. Chace.

\*Henry N. Hopkins.

James Glover.

\*Franklin Bosworth.

Silas W. Wood.

**U. S. Grant Post 4, Melrose.**

Commander, \*Charles L. Robinson.

S. V. C., \*Asa Child.

J. V. C., \*Joshua Ford.

*Representative.*

\*Wm. R. Dempsey.

*Alternate.*

Frank S. Field.

*Past Commanders.*

Rufus D. Kilgore.

\*Joseph A. Wiggin.



**General Lander Post 5, Lynn.**

Commander, \*Charles H. Brackett.

S. V. C., \*Cornelius J. Linehan.

J. V. C., \*William F. Dodge.

*Representatives.*

\*Fred E. Sprague.  
 \*Daniel N. Steingardt.  
 \*George E. Dow.  
 \*Alex S. Wright.  
 John Nickerson.

*Alternates.*

James H. Andrews.  
 James H. Dervin.  
 George M. Pike.  
 Philip Smith.  
 Augustine Upton.

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*Past Commanders.*

Cyrus A. Chadwell.  
 George C. Neal.  
 Thomas M. Burckes.

George W. Bulfinch.  
 William P. Conway.  
 Emory E. Larrabee.

\*Archelaus P. B. Kelly.

**Charles Russell Lowell Post 7, Boston.**

Commander, \*John McGrath.

S. V. C., \*Joseph Brown.

J. V. C., P. H. Brown.

*Representative.*

\*Amos Poole.

*Alternate.*

Joseph Rogers.

*Past Commanders.*

John B. McDonough.  
 Charles O. Newell.

Benjamin Proctor.  
 Samuel Simmons.

**E. W. Pierce Post 8, Middleborough.**

Commander, \*Alvin C. Howes.

S. V. C., \*Lucius M. Fuller.

J. V. C., George W. Thomas.

*Representative.*

\*Henry H. Bennett.

*Alternate.*

Charles M. Maxin.

*Past Commanders.*

Alvin P. Vaughan.  
 George B. Leonard.

Edward E. Place.  
 Walter H. Smith.

**Reno Post 9, Hudson.**

Commander, Alvin A. Young.

S. V. C., \*George W. W. Edson.

J. V. C., Francis H. Stevens.

*Representative.*

Joseph H. Lewis.

*Alternate.**Past Commanders.*

Charles S. Rich.

Daniel D. Rose.

**George H. Ward Post 10, Worcester.**

Commander, \*Oliver P. Judkins.

S. V. C., George A. Blunt.

J. V. C., \*Joseph A. Cleveland.

*Representatives.*

Walker Armington.  
 \*Augustus H. Wright.  
 W. F. Whipple.  
 \*E. L. Janes.  
 \*Lewis H. Scott.

*Alternates.*

A. H. Johnson.  
 L. A. Lamson.  
 C. R. Ayres.  
 James Burke.  
 W. S. Holliday.

*Past Commanders.*

Wm. H. Adams.  
 \*Charles R. Huntley.  
 Genery Darling.

James Armstrong.  
 Joseph A. Titus.  
 \*Moses H. Mentzer.

L. A. Lamson.

**Abraham Lincoln Post 11, Charlestown.**

Commander, \*Joseph F. Stoddard.

S. V. C., George S. Campbell.

J. V. C., Horace A. Bradford.

*Representative.*

\*Hiram Averill.

*Alternate.*

Albert Sawyer.

*Past Commanders.*

\*Alvin R. Bailey.  
 George M. Davis.

Charles H. Almeder.  
 \*Patrick H. Driscoll.

**Horace M. Warren Post 12, Wakefield.**

Commander, \*John F. Shea.

S. V. C., Alfred Brown.

J. V. C., Nathan Gould.

*Representative.*

John Richardson.

*Alternate.*

Robert Ransom.

*Past Commanders.*

\*Stanley B. Dearborn.

D. W. McCarthy.

**Fletcher Webster Post 13, Brockton.**

Commander, Andrew C. Gibbs.

S. V. C., Oliver F. Hayes.

J. V. C., Wm. G. Winsor.

*Representatives.*

\*Carl Bone.  
 \*Samuel J. Wade.

*Alternates.*

George H. Mann.  
 Walter Bunker.

*Past Commanders.*

George A. Grant.

John A. Hall.

John T. Crawford.

**C. C. Phillips Post 14, Hopkinton.**

Commander, Edwin A. Newton.

S. V. C., Michael Danahy.

J. V. C., Wm. M. Lyons.

*Representative.*  
\*Sidney Whitney.*Alternate.*  
\_\_\_\_\_*Past Commanders.*

Alonzo E. Foss.

Samuel A. Smith.

George Dailey.

**John A. Andrew Post 15, Boston.**

Commander, John J. Sheehan.

S. V. C., \*Martin Feeney.

J. V. C., Charles Corbin.

*Representatives.*  
\*Albert Fitzmeyer.  
\*Robert Sweeney.*Alternates.*  
Charles B. Cutler.  
George Merrill.*Past Commanders.*Eugene D. Sanborn.  
Charles W. Robbins.  
Frank W. Mead.\*John J. Lynn.  
\*James F. Smith.  
\*Wm. H. Eldridge.

\*David King.

**E. K. Wilcox Post 16, Springfield.**

Commander, Edwin S. Witherell.

S. V. C., \*William B. Covil.

J. V. C., Wm. H. Waterman.

*Representatives.*  
\*Leonard P. Strong.  
\*Orange S. Pomeroy.  
\*Charles B. Burt.*Alternates.*  
Otto F. Fogelstrand.  
Charles W. Bliss.*Past Commander.*

\*Henry H. Hoisington.

**General Sedgwick Post 17, Orange.**

Commander, Edward Baker.

S. V. C., Israel Newton.

J. V. C., Dwight Clement.

*Representative.*  
\_\_\_\_\_*Alternate.*  
\_\_\_\_\_*Past Commanders.*

George Moranville.

Frank Spear.

Gilbert Streeter.

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**Colonel Prescott Post 18, Ashland.**

Commander, Dana M. Wenzel.

S. V. C., ———

J. V. C., ———

*Representative.**Alternate.***Edwin V. Sumner Post 19, Fitchburg.**

Commander, \*Orlando P. Boss.

S. V. C., C. W. Hildreth.

J. V. C., F. G. Kingsman.

*Representative.*

F. D. Shattuck.

*Alternate.*

G. C. Jewett.

*Past Commanders.*

C. H. Glazier.

\*A. A. Buxton.

**Frederick Hecker Post 21, Boston.**

Commander, \*Henry Bornstein.

S. V. C., Leopold Kirchgassner.

J. V. C., ———

*Representative.*

Leopold Hindenlang.

*Alternate.***Maj. E. F. Fletcher Post 22, Milford.**

Commander, George S. Whitney.

S. V. C., \*William Callahan.

J. V. C., Lucius E. Heath.

*Representative.*

\*Herbert Parkhurst.

*Alternate.*

George C. Buck.

*Past Commander.*

Leonard Gaskill.

**A. B. R. Sprague Post 24, Grafton.**

Commander, \*William C. Fletcher.

S. V. C., Wm. Sherry.

J. V. C., ———

*Representative.**Alternate.**Past Commander.*

E. A. Howe.

**Thomas G. Stevenson Post 26, Roxbury.**

Commander, \*James F. Flynn.

S. V. C., \*Alva D. Snow.

J. V. C., \*William M. Neff.

*Representatives.*

\*Harry Isaacs.

\*Wm. H. Palmer.

*Alternate.*

Dominick Murray.

*Past Commanders.*

\*William A. Copeland.

Lorenzo B. Dutton.

\*Jediah P. Jordan.

Benjamin Pettee.

Henry A. Thomas.

**F. P. H. Rogers Post 29, Waltham.**

Commander, Samuel E. Clark.

S. V. C., James Beatty.

J. V. C., John A. Gardner.

*Representative.*

\*James E. Brackett.

*Alternate.*

Samuel H. Bacon.

**William H. Smart Post 30, Cambridge.**

Commander, Charles McHugh.

S. V. C., \*A. Otis Chamberlin.

J. V. C., Charles H. Dugan.

*Representative.*

Jeremiah N. Kellogg.

*Alternate.**Past Commander.*

John Kinnear.

**George W. Perry Post 31, Scituate.**

Commander, John Towne.

S. V. C., ———

J. V. C., \*Thomas F. Bailey.

*Representative.*

\*Milton G. Litchfield.

*Alternate.**Past Commander.*

Edmund F. Merritt.

**Washington Post 32, South Boston.**

Commander, \*Michael Kelly.

S. V. C., \*Jeremiah Ford.

J. V. C., ———

*Representative.**Alternate.*



**Burbank Post 33, Woburn.**

Commander, W. C. C. Colgate.

S. V. C., ———

J. V. C., ———

*Representative.**Alternate.***Phil. H. Sheridan Post 34, Salem.**

Commander, \*Isaac D. Baker.

S. V. C., \*Milton Coffin.

J. V. C., Edward Stillman.

*Representatives.*

\*Edward Collins.

\*John E. Guppy.

*Alternates.*

Phillip Manning.

Richard Mowbray.

*Past Commanders.*

Almon Allard.

James Arrington.

John H. Purbeck.

William T. Lander.

**Theodore Winthrop Post 35, Chelsea.**

Commander, Jeremiah Norris.

S. V. C., \*M. A. Purbeck.

J. V. C., \*John E. Wharton.

*Representatives.*

\*Charles S. Witter.

\*John Dennis.

*Alternates.*

John Herlihy.

Frank A. Barter.

*Past Commanders.*

\*Albert A. Nickerson.

\*Samuel P. Cutter.

**Francis Gould Post 36, Arlington.**

Commander, Charles S. Parker.

S. V. C., \*George H. Averill.

J. V. C., Benj. F. Wright.

*Representative.*

\*C. D. Hammer.

*Alternate.*

L. F. Bridgham.

*Past Commander.*

Henry Berthrong.

**F. A. Stearns Post 37, Spencer.**

Commander, \*Robert E. Gibson.

S. V. C., C. P. Barton.

J. V. C., George P. De Wolfe.

*Representative.**Alternate.**Past Commander.*

James Holmes.

**Dexter Post 38, Brookfield.**

Commander, Charles F. Mullett.

S. V. C., George L. Howe.

J. V. C., ———

*Representative.**Alternate.***Needham Post 39, Lawrence.**

Commander, \*James Morgan.

S. V. C., \*George W. Towne.

J. V. C., \*T. H. Donnolly.

*Representative.**Alternate.*

\*Thomas P. Frost.

John Smith.

*Past Commanders.*

Henry A. Webster.

Charles E. Locke.

\*Josiah N. Jones.

James Stanley.

**Gen. H. G. Berry Post 40, Malden.**

Commander, \*Roscoe G. Bean.

S. V. C., John F. Milliken.

J. V. C., \*G. Wilton Lewis.

*Representative.**Alternate.*

T. A. Hodgdon.

*Past Commanders.*

Oscar C. Wallace.

George Prouty.

George M. Harris.

Wm. G. Chapman.

Alvin G. Brown.

Flavel W. Downs.

H. S. Coburn.

\*Orrin Stone.

**Lyon Post 41, Westfield.**

Commander, Andrew L. Bush.

S. V. C., ———

J. V. C., ———

*Representative.**Alternate.*

M. E. Andrews.

**B. F. Butler Post 42, Lowell.**

Commander, \*Thomas Crowley.

S. V. C., Enoch Grinnell.

J. V. C., James McLaughlin.

*Representative.**Alternate.*

J. P. Campbell.

*Past Commander.*

\*D. L. Page.



**John A. Rawlins Post 43, Marlborough.**

Commander, \*George H. Brigham.

S. V. C., \*John Boggs.

J. V. C., Thomas Boggs.

*Representative.*  
Larry Cavanagh.*Alternate.*  
\_\_\_\_\_*Past Commanders.*

Charles F. Robinson.

Lafayette Stickney.

John R. McCrillis.

**G. Wesley Nichols Post 44, Southborough.**

Commander, Charles S. Parker.

S. V. C., \*James McMahon.

J. V. C., F. F. Chickering.

*Representative.*  
\_\_\_\_\_*Alternate.*  
\_\_\_\_\_**Colonel Allen Post 45, Gloucester.**

Commander, William H. Marston.

S. V. C., Francis Davis.

J. V. C., Wm. D. Lufkin.

*Representative.*  
\_\_\_\_\_*Alternate.*  
\_\_\_\_\_**Richard Borden Post 46, Fall River.**

Commander, \*John Gilbert.

S. V. C., A. Bressette.

J. V. C., \*Edward Palmer.

*Representative.*  
\*Edward Hague.*Alternate.*  
P. H. Sullivan.*Past Commanders.*

Joseph Bowers.

\*Richard Fleet.

**Major How Post 47, Haverhill.**

Commander, \*Charles O. Kelly.

S. V. C., \*Frank H. Russ.

J. V. C., \*John Maley.

*Representatives.*  
\*C. H. Magrath.  
David Wallace.*Alternate.*  
James R. Gray.*Past Commanders.*Edward B. Savage.  
E. G. Frothingham.  
George W. Heath.  
Oliver S. Hubbard.Martin L. Stover.  
A. N. Batchelder.  
Smith W. Lucas.  
\*Charles A. Wood.

**George L. Boutwell Post 48, Ayer.**

Commander, \*Hiram Clark.

S. V. C., \*James Smith.

J. V. C., — — —

*Representative.*  
Herbert Proctor.*Alternate.*  
Wilfred Parsons.*Past Commanders.*

\*John S. Preston.

Ellexia D. Martell.

**A. W. Bartlett Post 49, Newburyport.**

Commander, Patrick F. Donahue.

S. V. C., \*Wm. E. Carlton.

J. V. C., \*Charles F. Peel.

*Representatives.*  
\*Benj. C. Welch.  
Amos M. Little.*Alternates.*  
William G. Brown.  
David C. Morrill.*Past Commanders.*Charles S. Noyes.  
Wm. C. Cusick.  
\*J. C. Richardson.  
James L. Bryant.Charles A. Grant.  
\*Hiram Balch.  
\*Samuel Brookings.  
\*Orlando F. Hatch.

Jere W. Porter.

**Union Post 50, Peabody.**

Commander, Richard E. Smith.

S. V. C., \*Frank Larrabee.

J. V. C., Levi C. Hutchinson.

*Representative.*  
Edward Q. Moulton.*Alternate.*  
William C. Beckett.**Ezra Batcheller Post 51, North Brookfield.**

Commander, George W. Bruce.

S. V. C., Albert H. Foster.

J. V. C., A. Woodcock.

*Representative.*  
A. B. Moreau.*Alternate.*  
Alden J. Gilbert.**A. B. Randall Post 52, Eastondale.**

Commander, Nathaniel W. Slocum.

S. V. C., Augustus J. Leavitt.

J. V. C., Berlin J. White.

*Representative.*  
\*Irving B. Mowry.*Alternate.*  
John W. McDonald.



**Charles H. Stevens Post 53, Leominster.**

Commander, Frank Bourne.

S. V. C., Charles Prew.

J. V. C., \*Charles F. Staples.

*Representative.*  
Alvin Holman.*Alternate.*  
\_\_\_\_\_*Past Commanders.*

\*Alvah Heald.

Harry C. Conant.

Charles G. Putney.

Oliver J. Putnam.

\*Charles S. Houghton.

**Charles Beck Post 56, Cambridge.**

Commander, \*Francis J. O'Reilly.

S. V. C., Theodore P. Prentice.

J. V. C., \*Andrew McGinnis.

*Representative.*  
James L. Ireland.*Alternate.*  
\_\_\_\_\_*Past Commanders.*

\*Otis S. Brown.

George Rouillard.

**Reynolds Post 58, East Weymouth.**

Commander, Francis A. Bicknell.

S. V. C., Michael McGrath.

J. V. C., George S. Hunt.

*Representatives.*  
\*T. John Evans.  
\*Rufus S. Turpel.*Alternates.*  
Patrick Slattery.  
Charles W. Howe.*Past Commanders.*

\*Andrew Culley.

\*Bradford Hawes.

\*David Dunbar.

William E. Mitchell.

\*Joseph P. Ford.

\*Waldo Turner.

**Franklin Post 60, Franklin.**

Commander, \*Albert J. Newell.

S. V. C., \*J. C. McWilliams.

J. V. C., \_\_\_\_\_

*Representative.*  
Samuel C. Bourne.*Alternate.*  
Charles Gowen.*Past Commander.*

\*Rupert J. Chute.

**Nathaniel Lyon Post 61, Webster.**

Commander, Elias B. Wakefield.

S. V. C., Henry C. Phillips.

J. V. C., William Moore.

*Representative.*  
Edwin Spencer.*Alternate.*  
Christopher Holly.*Past Commanders.*

W. N. Leavens.

Leonard E. Thayer.

**Charles Ward Post 62, Newtonville.**

Commander, \*William M. Mick.

S. V. C., \*Leonard Boyd.

J. V. C., \*E. H. Stoddard.

*Representatives.*  
\*H. E. Williams.  
W. H. Ayles.*Alternates.*  
Otis W. Gray.  
Charles Moore.*Past Commanders.*Williard D. Tripp.  
Colon S. Ober.\*George M. Fiske.  
George H. Osborne.

\*Joseph Rossiter.

**General Wadsworth Post 63, Natick.**

Commander, \*N. E. Hall.

S. V. C., \*R. J. Fox.

J. V. C., ———

*Representative.*  
\*J. L. Robinson.*Alternate.*  
T. W. Frost.*Past Commander.*

Edwin A. Taylor.

**E. D. Baker Post 64, Clinton.**

Commander, Orlando L. Martin.

S. V. C., J. E. Farnsworth.

J. V. C., ———

*Representative.*  
\*Lewis L. Stone.*Alternate.*  
—————*Past Commander.*

Jonathan Smith.

**S. C. Lawrence Post 66, Medford.**

Commander, \*George L. Stokell.

S. V. C., [Edgar] Hall.

J. V. C., \*Benjamin Lewis.

*Representative.*  
\*Thomas Kelly.*Alternate.*  
Herman Green.*Past Commander.*

\*Charles Burbank.

**Benj. Stone, Jr., Post 68, Dorchester.**

Commander, \*Wallace Kenney.

S. V. C., J. Henry Blanchard.

J. V. C., Rodney W. Greenleaf.

*Representative.*

Frank M. Murphy.

*Alternate.*

Walter I. Frost.

*Past Commanders.*

\*Walter E. Swan.

\*William H. Dupree.

\*William H. Haddock.

\*Jerome J. Pratt.

\*George H. Rexford.

\*A. A. Chittenden.

G. F. S. Wellington.

**Joseph P. Rice Post 69, Westminster.**

Commander, \*Hobart Raymond.

S. V. C., Alonzo Wheeler.

J. V. C., ———

*Representative.**Alternate.***George A. Custer Post 70, Millbury.**

Commander, Henry W. Davidson.

S. V. C., \*Henry A. White.

J. V. C., Ambrose Rice.

*Representative.**Alternate.***Kilpatrick Post 71, Holyoke.**

Commander, \*William H. Abbott.

S. V. C., \*William Brown.

J. V. C., Stephen Gifford.

*Representative.*

Harvey H. Carter.

*Alternate.*

Edward Neumann.

*Past Commander.*

Embury P. Clark.

**A. St. John Chambre Post 72, Stoughton.**

Commander, \*James McElroy.

S. V. C., Charles A. Miles.

J. V. C., ———

*Representative.*

\*William H. Overton.

*Alternate.*



**McPherson Post 73, Abington.**

Commander, \*John F. Hatch.

S. V. C., Alvah F. Hunter.

J. V. C., Harvey Edison.

*Representative.*

\*James B. Johnson.

*Alternate.*

Isaac K. Holmes.

*Past Commanders.*

Charles W. Howland.

Henry F. Rochefort.

William F. Nash.

Calvin L. Baker.

**Hartsuff Post 74, Rockland.**

Commander, William R. Groce.

S. V. C., D. C. Witherell.

J. V. C., W. H. Cate.

*Representative.*

W. A. Gurney.

*Alternate.*

H. A. Baker.

*Past Commanders.*

\*William A. Bates.

\*Joshua S. Gray.

\*Jason B. Hersey.

Samuel M. Watts.

John H. Harper.

**J. P. Gould Post 75, Stoneham.**

Commander, Peter H. Horne.

S. V. C., R. F. Davis.

J. V. C., George E. Kenson.

*Representative.*

H. D. Wallace.

*Alternate.*

A. Thurston.

*Past Commanders.*

R. K. Brown.

George F. Jewett.

S. A. Lawrence.

S. C. Trull.

George W. Newhall.

**Collingwood Post 76, Plymouth.**

Commander, \*George A. Burgess.

S. V. C., Seth L. Holmes.

J. V. C., Samuel W. Holmes.

*Representative.*

\*Edward Bassett.

*Alternate.*

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**Theron P. Hall Post 77, Holden.**

Commander, C. E. Farrar.

S. V. C., A. D. Bascom.

J. V. C., \_\_\_\_\_

*Representative.*

G. S. Graham.

*Alternate.*

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**David A. Russell Post 78, Whitman.**

Commander, \*Bela Alden.

S. V. C., \*John Lane.

J. V. C., Lucius Cook.

*Representative.*

\*Frederick Brown.

*Alternate.*

Henry C. Adams.

*Past Commanders.*

Q. A. Merritt.

Elmer P. Copeland.

Charles L. Jones.

\*Jesse Brown.

Obed Ellis.

**Charles D. Sanford Post 79, North Adams.**

Commander, Alfred A. Lee.

S. V. C., \*G. J. Montgomery.

J. V. C., Nicholas Martin.

*Representative.*

\*John Mitchell.

*Alternate.*

Horace A. Loomis.

*Past Commanders.*

Charles H. Arnum.

Martin Curley.

\*Alex Fulton.

**Arthur G. Biscoe Post 80, Westborough.**

Commander, \*John W. Fairbanks.

S. V. C., Harris C. Warren.

J. V. C., F. R. Kingsbury.

*Representative.**Alternate.**Past Commander.*

Melvin H. Walker.

**Isaac B. Patten Post 81, Watertown.**

Commander, Ozra M. Whittier.

S. V. C., Nelson Hill.

J. V. C., Michael Hughes.

*Representative.**Alternate.***John Goodwin, Jr., Post 82, Marblehead.**

Commander, Albert F. Morris.

S. V. C., Joseph W. Wormstead.

J. V. C., J. W. R. Chase.

*Representatives.*

\*John I. Tucker.

Frank Blackler.

*Alternate.*

Moses Sweett.

*Past Commanders.*

Stewart F. McClearn.

Winifield S. Caswell.

Samuel Snow.

Eli V. Hunt.

**J. E. Wilder Post 83, Hanover.**

Commander, George M. Curtis.

S. V. C., Peleg Sturtevant.

J. V. C., ———

*Representative.**Alternate.**Past Commander.*

\*Lewis Josselyn.

**J. W. Lawton Post 85, Ware.**

Commander, Alfred H. Richardson.

S. V. C., \*Henry M. Hitchcock.

J. V. C., Elias H. Davis.

*Representative.**Alternate.**Past Commander.*

George E. Fairbanks.

**W. L. Baker Post 86, Northampton.**

Commander, William R. Bardwell.

S. V. C., Edward E. Graves.

J. V. C., Alphonso Witherell.

*Representatives.*

Seth W. Kingsley.

Thomas Dumphy.

*Alternates.*

Charles K. Morton.

Justin E. Janes.

*Past Commanders.*

Nathaniel W. Farrar.

Shepard R. Dyer.

**Gen. S. Thayer Post 87, Braintree.**

Commander, \*Henry A. Monk.

S. V. C., William J. Tirrell.

J. V. C., Henry W. Collins.

*Representative.**Alternate.**Past Commander.*

Edwin L. Curtis.

**Paul J. Revere Post 88, Quincy.**

Commander, John D. Williams.

S. V. C., Charles P. Costar.

J. V. C., \*Charles A. Brown.

*Representative.*

\*Frederick H. Bishop.

*Alternate.*

Gresham B. Thomas.



**J. H. Chapman, Jr., Post 89, Beverly.**

Commander, William H. Morgan.

S. V. C., William F. Bickford.

J. V. C., Arthur Jordan.

*Representative.*

\*William F. Warren.

*Alternate.*

George F. Goldthwait.

*Past Commanders.*

John E. Foster.

John Hanners.

\*Thomas F. Whiting.

\*James A. Wright.

**Ward Post 90, Danvers.**

Commander, \*Alonzo A. Rackliff.

S. V. C., Dennison Spaulding.

J. V. C., Dennis Cashman.

*Representative.*

Frederick Collins.

*Alternate.*

William Collins.

*Past Commander.*

Isaac E. Frye.

**Francis Washburn Post 92, Brighton.**

Commander, \*Ellis W. Knowlton.

S. V. C., Charles M. Hathaway.

J. V. C., \*James A. Sawyer.

*Representative.*

Isaac G. Wheeler.

*Alternate.*

John O'Connell.

*Past Commanders.*

J. Francis Chickey.

Joseph H. Haskell.

E. Frank Stearns.

\*John Welch. /

**Ozro Miller Post 93, Shelburne Falls.**

Commander, George A. Jones.

S. V. C., William Smith.

J. V. C., ———

*Representative.**Alternate.***Revere Post 94, Canton.**

Commander, Richmond L. Weston.

S. V. C., James Ryan.

J. V. C., \*Wilbur D. Ryerson.

*Representative.**Alternate.**Past Commander.*

Frank G. Webster.

**Gen. E. W. Hincks Post 95, Saugus.**

Commander, \*Joseph Newhall.

S. V. C., ———

J. V. C., ———

*Representative.*

\*George W. Caswell.

*Alternate.*

George W. Gale.

**Gen. W. Bartlett Post 99, Andover.**

Commander, \*Henry L. Clukey.

S. V. C., John Cummings.

J. V. C., James Saunders.

*Representative.*

John B. A. Russell.

*Alternate.***Charles Sumner Post 101, Groveland.**

Commander, George E. Anderson.

S. V. C., Charles J. Shute.

J. V. C., Eugene C. Brown.

*Representative.*

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*Alternate.*

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*Past Commander.*

George S. Daggett.

**Huntington F. Wolcott Post 102, Milton.**

Commander, \*Nathaniel S. Barry.

S. V. C., Alex. Hobbs.

J. V. C., \*James Byrnes.

*Representative.*

Horace N. Plummer.

*Alternate.*

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*Past Commanders.*

\*Joseph F. Farrell.

Joseph E. Blake.

**Edwin Humphrey Post 104, Hingham.**

Commander, Ezra Wilder.

S. V. C., John H. Stoddard.

J. V. C., J. O'Hara.

*Representative.*

James L. Bates.

*Alternate.*

William H. Lord.

**J. Orson Fisk Post 105, Upton.**

Commander, \*Willard Wood.

S. V. C., Alonzo Southland.

J. V. C., ———

*Representative.*

Aaron Jackson.

*Alternate.*

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**Ericsson Post 109, East Templeton.**

Commander, Charles W. Nichols.

S. V. C., Charles B. Garfield.

J. V. C., Hiram Crowell.

*Representative.**Alternate.***Capt. Horace Niles Post 110, Randolph.**

Commander, \*Hiram S. Faunce.

S. V. C., Franklin Taylor.

J. V. C., \*L. A. Faunce.

*Representative.*

C. J. McMorrow.

*Alternate.*

Lemuel Capen.

*Past Commanders.*

David Pope.

R. I. Jones.

**Joseph E. Simmons Post 111, Pembroke.**

Commander, Benjamin F. Toppan.

S. V. C., Charles H. Poole.

J. V. C., John C. Davies.

*Representative.**Alternate.***D. Willard Robinson Post 112, Norwell.**

Commander, Alfred B. Litchfield.

S. V. C., Benjamin W. French.

J. V. C., \*Frank Alger.

*Representative.**Alternate.**Past Commander.*

John H. Prouty.

**Edward W. Kingsley Post 113, Boston.**

Commander, \*George W. States.

S. V. C., Charles L. Ridgway.

J. V. C., \*L. Lorenzo Billings.

*Representatives.*

Lowell Maxham.

James R. Gerrish.

*Alternate.**Past Commanders.*

George A. Sawin.

William Park.

James D. Leatherbee.

Henry G. Weston.

Oliver P. Ricker.



**Col. G. R. Mudge Post 114, Merrimac.**

Commander, B. C. Flanders.

S. V. C., C. E. Flanders.

J. V. C., E. G. Bly.

*Representative.*  
John T. Lovett.*Alternate.*  
\_\_\_\_\_*Past Commander.*

L. B. Blaisdell.

**E. S. Clark Post 115, Groton.**

Commander, Charles H. Berry.

S. V. C., Thomas Gilson.

J. V. C., John Condon.

*Representative.*  
\_\_\_\_\_*Alternate.*  
\_\_\_\_\_**D. G. Farragut Post 116, Gardner.**

Commander, \*Roswell C. Powers.

S. V. C., John W. Byron.

J. V. C., \*Wm. W. Caswell.

*Representative.*  
\*Theodore L. Harlow.*Alternate.*  
Charles S. Knight.*Past Commander.*

Edward P. Brown.

**Moses Ellis Post 117, Medfield.**

Commander, \*E. C. Crocker.

S. V. C., \*J. A. Fitts.

J. V. C., \_\_\_\_\_

*Representative.*  
\_\_\_\_\_*Alternate.*  
\_\_\_\_\_**Gen. James Bates Post 118, Swampscott.**

Commander, George Lourilliard.

S. V. C., \*H. Weston Wyman.

J. V. C., Theodore S. Wilkins.

*Representative.*  
Rufus Wentworth.*Alternate.*  
\_\_\_\_\_*Past Commander.*

Horace Wardwell.

**George G. Meade Post 119, Lexington.**

Commander, William B. Foster.

S. V. C., John N. Morse.

J. V. C., Everett S. Locke.

*Representative.*  
George B. Dennett.*Alternate.*  
\_\_\_\_\_*Past Commander.*  
George D. Harrington.**James A. Garfield Post 120, Lowell.**

Commander, \*George B. Barnett.

S. V. C., \*George E. Clogston.

J. V. C., Isaac Patnaud.

*Representative.*  
George Conway.*Alternate.*  
L. T. Prouty.*Past Commanders.*  
Frank B. Flanders. George Nutting.  
Charles Nevers.**Timothy Ingraham Post 121, Hyde Park.**

Commander, \*Richard F. Boynton.

S. V. C., \*Robert L. Frampton.

J. V. C., George B. Erskine.

*Representative.*  
\*William A. Gray.*Alternate.*  
Henry B. Terry.*Past Commanders.*  
Edwin J. Chandler. \*James S. Mitchell.  
\*John H. Kazar. George E. W. Ide.  
Walter C. Bryant.**E. P. Wallace Post 122, Amesbury.**

Commander, \*Charles A. Moore.

S. V. C., George W. Marden.

J. V. C., William H. Currier.

*Representative.*  
M. M. Dennett.*Alternate.*  
\_\_\_\_\_**Parker Post 123, Athol.**

Commander, Lyman B. Hastings.

S. V. C., Francis R. Thomas.

J. V. C., Chester Dickinson.

*Representative.*  
F. R. Thomas.*Alternate.*  
\_\_\_\_\_*Past Commander.*  
Charles E. Taft.

**W. W. Rockwell Post 125, Pittsfield.**

Commander, \*Edwin H. Lincoln.

S. V. C., William F. Hunt.

J. V. C., Charles W. Hudelston.

*Representative.*

\*Willis A. Crossman.

*Alternate.*

Edwin A. Hinckley.

*Past Commanders.*

Alfred L. Marshall.

Francis A. Ireland.

Charles E. Johnson.

**Gen. J. Appleton Post 128, Ipswich.**

Commander, Albert N. Nichols.

S. V. C., Alonzo Butler.

J. V. C., \*John W. Russell.

*Representative.*

Charles W. Bradstreet.

*Alternate.*

Dennis Minnehan.

*Past Commander.*

Philip E. Clarke.

**James H. Sargent Post 130, West Medway.**

Commander, Elmer L. Videtto.

S. V. C., Dennis W. Riordan.

J. V. C., George H. Scott.

*Representative.*

George W. Bullard.

*Alternate.*

Albert L. Lowd.

*Past Commander.*

Peter Cahill.

**Charles Chipman Post 132, Sandwich.**

Commander, J. Frank Giles.

S. V. C., ———

J. V. C., ———

*Representative.*

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*Alternate.*

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**Robert A. Bell Post 134, Boston.**

Commander, \*Edward A. Ditmus.

S. V. C., \*William H. Jackson.

J. V. C., Joseph Young.

*Representative.*

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*Alternate.*

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*Past Commanders.*

Isaac S. Mullen.

E. George Biddle.

**Isaac Davis Post 138, West Acton.**

Commander, George L. Towne.

S. V. C., \*Isaac S. Ford.

J. V. C., Daniel Farrar.

*Representative.*  
L. A. Hesselton.*Alternate.*  
\_\_\_\_\_*Past Commanders.*

Calvin Holbrook.

Frank R. Knowlton.

**Willard C. Kinsley Post 139, Somerville.**

Commander, George M. Houghton.

S. V. C., \*Amasa E. Googins.

J. V. C., \*Dennis M. Dailey.

*Representative.*  
\*Robert K. Jones.*Alternate.*  
John S. Frost.*Past Commanders.*

John H. Dusseault.

\*Thomas J. Buffum.

\*Walter Winward.

Charles O. Pratt.

George H. Clapp.

William W. Fish.

\*Charles E. Stone.

Thomas F. Smith.

**H. V. Smith Post 140, Athol.**

Commander, A. L. Jilson.

S. V. C., George McRea.

J. V. C., F. N. Blackmer.

*Representative.*  
E. J. Faulkner.*Alternate.*  
\_\_\_\_\_*Past Commander.*

P. F. Nims.

**C. L. Chandler Post 143, Brookline.**

Commander, \*William B. Webber.

S. V. C., \*Prince A. Phinney.

J. V. C., \*Theodore E. Clark.

*Representative.*  
\_\_\_\_\_*Alternate.*  
\_\_\_\_\_*Past Commander.*

Philip A. Nordell.

**Charles W. Carroll Post 144, Dedham.**

Commander, \*John E. Bronson.

S. V. C., Freeman H. Sanborn.

J. V. C., Frederick Musche.

*Representative.*  
John W. Howlett.*Alternate.*  
Weston F. Hutchins.



**William A. Streeter Post 145, Attleboro.**

Commander, John W. Bean.

S. V. C., Charles D. Kinney.

J. V. C., \*John Dorr.

*Representative.*

\*William H. Burns.

*Alternate.*

Nicholas Nerney.

*Past Commander.*

W. B. Aldrich.

**General Lawton Post 146, Lawrence.**

Commander, \*John A. Brackett.

S. V. C., Thomas M. Cogswell.

J. V. C., George Bancroft.

*Representative.*

Justin S. Bridges.

*Alternate.*

James Walsh.

*Past Commanders.*

\*Oran J. Randlett.

Charles Wainwright.

\*Amos C. Bradford.

**Major Boyd Post 151, West Newbury.**

Commander, John A. Bradley.

S. V. C., John Preble.

J. V. C., ———

*Representative.*

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*Alternate.*

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**O. H. P. Sargent Post 152, Essex.**

Commander, Albert Andrews.

S. V. C., ———

J. V. C., ———

*Representative.*

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*Alternate.*

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**Gilman C. Parker Post 153, Winchendon.**

Commander, Gustavus Jones.

S. V. C., Jerome Stevens.

J. V. C., ———

*Representative.*

Bailey Thomas.

*Alternate.*

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*Past Commander.*

H. F. Partridge.

**Martha Sever Post 154, Kingston.**

Commander, Amasa E. Lincoln.

S. V. C., ———

J. V. C., ———

*Representative.**Alternate.*

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**James A. Perkins Post 156, Everett.**

Commander, \*Edwin F. Morrill.

S. V. C., John L. Nicolson.

J. V. C., Stephen O. Anthony.

*Representative.**Alternate.*

\*Peter F. Munroe.

John Deguio.

*Past Commanders.*

\*George A. Parsons.

\*Henri Batchelder.

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**John A. Hawes Post 159, East Boston.**

Commander, Robert Young.

S. V. C., James F. Ward.

J. V. C., ———

*Representative.**Alternate.*

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**Alan Hamilton Post 160, West Brookfield.**

Commander, Edwin Wilbur.

S. V. C., Paul Lucius.

J. V. C., ———

*Representative.**Alternate.*

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**Woburn Post 161, Woburn.**

Commander, B. F. Smith.

S. V. C., A. B. Wyman.

J. V. C., William F. Cook.

*Representative.**Alternate.*

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**Gen. J. G. Foster Post 163, Framingham.**

Commander, Albert J. Brown.

S. V. C., Thomas A. Knowlton.

J. V. C., Jonathan Hervey.

*Representative.**Alternate.*

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*Past Commanders.*

Samuel Staples.

William B. Reed.

**F. A. Clary Post 164, Conway.**

Commander, George A. Hassell.

S. V. C., Adelbert Bailey.

J. V. C., James Coughlin.

*Representative.**Alternate.***Wm. Wardsworth Post 165, Duxbury.**

Commander, James K. Burgess.

S. V. C., Albert M. Goulding.

J. V. C., ———

*Representative.**Alternate.*

James M. Downey.

**M. Ammidown Post 168, Southbridge.**

Commander, \*George W. Corey.

S. V. C., Norval Newell.

J. V. C., Festus Faulkner.

*Representative.**Alternate.*

Israel Leduc.

Thomas O'Hara.

**George R. Bird Post 169, Norwood.**

Commander, \*George W. Nead.

S. V. C., William Formean.

J. V. C., \*J. E. May.

*Representative.**Alternate.*

\*J. H. Partridge.

Samuel Swett.

**John Rogers Post 170, Mansfield.**

Commander, \*Alfred A. Briggs.

S. V. C., \*John Lyman.

J. V. C., \*Adelbert White.

*Representative.**Alternate.*

\*Uriah Hoyt.

John Lyman.

*Past Commanders.*

Moses L. Green.

John Hannifen.

\*Leander Wentworth.

George A. Fiske.

\*L. A. Lauriat.

**Henry H. Johnson Post 171, Northfield.**

Commander, \*James R. Hamilton.

S. V. C., Alonzo W. Wheeler.

J. V. C., ———

*Representative.**Alternate.*

**J. Arthur Johnson Post 173, Sturbridge.**

Commander, \*E. H. Davenport.

S. V. C., William L. Allen.

J. V. C., Melvin Booth.

*Representative.*  
J. J. Shepard.*Alternate.*  
Louis St. John.*Past Commander.*

A. J. Barnard.

**Edwin E. Day Post 174, Greenfield.**

Commander, John R. Sears.

S. V. C., Allen Newton.

J. V. C., Richard O'Hara.

*Representative.*  
T. F. Harrington.*Alternate.***Gen. H. C. Lee Post 176, Huntington.**

Commander, Henry E. Stanton.

S. V. C., ———

J. V. C., ———

*Representative.*  
—————*Alternate.*  
—————*Past Commanders.*

Leroy Warren.

Henry M. Ripley.

Dwight L. Prentice.

**Samuel F. Woods Post 179, Barre.**

Commander, T. Hanson White.

S. V. C., Alberto P. Clark.

J. V. C., George L. Chapman.

*Representative.*  
—————*Alternate.*  
—————**Old Concord Post 180, Concord.**

Commander, Lewis H. George.

S. V. C., Patrick Keefe.

J. V. C., John Clarity.

*Representative.*  
—————*Alternate.*  
—————**C. M. Wheaton Post 182, Somerset.**

Commander, Amos C. Padelford.

S. V. C., George O. Buffington.

J. V. C., ———

*Representative.*  
—————*Alternate.*  
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**Ladd and Whitney Post 185, Lowell.**

Commander, \*Albert I. Gilman.

S. V. C., Albert A. Davis.

J. V. C., M. M. Hayden.

*Representative.*

\*Charles M. Bixby.

*Alternate.*

Charles E. Chase.

*Past Commander.*

Marcus L. Cowdrey.

**Preston Post 188, Beverly Farms.**

Commander, Benjamin F. Osborn.

S. V. C., ———

J. V. C., ———

*Representative.**Alternate.***David Church Post 189, Marshfield Hills.**

Commander, Isaiah A. Ewell.

S. V. C., Warren F. White.

J. V. C., George Wilson.

*Representative.*

Samuel F. Hatch.

*Alternate.***R. A. Pierce Post 190, New Bedford.**

Commander, \*George N. Alden.

S. V. C., Henry W. Mason.

J. V. C., Theodore P. Crowell.

*Representatives.*

William B. Hinkley.

Otis B. Phinney.

*Alternate.*

Abraham L. Teachman.

*Past Commanders.*

\*John V. Spare.

Thomas C. Robbins.

**Gettysburg Post 191, Boston.**

Commander, William H. Hall.

S. V. C., \*William J. Anderson.

J. V. C., James W. Jordan.

*Representative.*

\*Henry Scales.

*Alternate.*

John H. Mace.

*Past Commander.*

William J. Hargraves.

**P. M. Whiting Post 192, North Attleborough.**

Commander, Stephen Stanley.

S. V. C., Charles W. H. Day.

J. V. C., Patrick Kivlin.

*Representative.*

John G. Hull.

*Alternate.*

**C. M. Packard Post 193, Avon.**

Commander, Ira McLaughlin.

S. V. C., Maschel Hunt.

J. V. C., \*S. Minot Crane.

*Representative.*

\*S. Frank Oliver.

*Alternate.*

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**Veteran Post 194, Reading.**

Commander, \*Walter S. Parker.

S. V. C., \*John Batchelder.

J. V. C., John H. Simpson.

*Representative.*

\*Harland P. Pratt.

*Alternate.*

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*Past Commanders.*

George A. Sargent.

\*William C. M. Howe.

Ernest A. Clapp.

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**Thomas A. Parker Post 195, East Pepperell.**

Commander, \*Otis A. Merrill.

S. V. C., Henry P. Humes.

J. V. C., Albert A. Pelton.

*Representative.*

\*George A. Gay.

*Alternate.*

Celestine G. Willey.

*Past Commander.*

George A. Tarbell.

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**W. S. Eaton Post 199, Revere.**

Commander, Louis L. Bullard.

S. V. C., William H. Blauvelt.

J. V. C., \*Julius A. Herrmann.

*Representative.*

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*Alternate.*

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**Boston Post 200, Jamaica Plain.**

Commander, \*George W. Green.

S. V. C., \*John E. Shattuck.

J. V. C., \*J. H. P. Thomas.

*Representative.*

\*John Page.

*Alternate.*

Stillman D. Bond.

*Past Commanders.*

Henry Whitney.

\*Charles A. S. Troup.

**E. B. Nye Post 203, Bourne.**

Commander, John J. Ryder.

S. V. C., Samuel W. Morse.

J. V. C., Martin V. B. Cahoon.

*Representative.**Alternate.***Theo. Parkman Post 204, Centerville.**

Commander, William C. Gifford.

S. V. C., Edward W. Childs.

J. V. C., Clarence L. Baker.

*Representative.**Alternate.*

Philip Hughes.

**Thos. Gardner Post 207, Nantucket.**

Commander, Josiah F. Murphey.

S. V. C., James H. Wood.

J. V. C., Charles M. Crocker.

*Representative.**Alternate.***Gen. W. T. Sherman Post 208, Wareham.**

Commander, James A. Harlow.

S. V. C., \*John Campbell.

J. V. C., Cornelius Hagerty.

*Representative.**Alternate.***E. P. Hopkins Post 209, Williamstown.**

Commander, \*W. R. Stocking.

S. V. C., M. M. Watkins.

J. V. C., J. M. Galusha.

*Representative.**Alternate.*

Edgar Maynard.

Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee: "The roll has been called, and I find all present except Assistant Quartermaster-General Eugene D. Sanborn, who is kept away on account of illness."

Commander: "I understand that a Past Commander of the State of Maine is present, and will Comrade Clark of Post 36 escort the comrade into the Encampment."

Comrade Clark: "Commander, I have the honor and the pleasure to introduce Comrade Nat. W. White of Post 15, Augusta, Me., a Past Commander from that State."

Commander: "Comrades, I present to you Past Commander White of the Grand Army of the State of Maine."

(For further proceedings see page 62.)

## ADDRESS OF DEPARTMENT-COMMANDER HENRY A. MONK.

COMRADES: — We are again assembled in annual encampment, after a year of reasonable prosperity. We meet in this historic hall, feeling that we have done our best to maintain the principles of Government and support the institutions that were conceived and fostered by our forefathers.

One year ago you conferred upon me the greatest honor of my lifetime, and I wish to thank you all for the confidence you placed in me. I entered the position with fear and trembling, feeling that I was unqualified to measure up to the standards set by my predecessors but, with your hearty co-operation and the splendid support from my associate officers, I feel that I can stand before you and say that I have given my best efforts for the Department. I extend a soldier's welcome to you all, and trust that this sixty-second encampment will prove as pleasing to you as those that have gone before.

## MEMBERSHIP.

We have lost 5 Posts during the year and a total, from all causes, of 421, leaving the membership January 1, 1928, as 1,809. For details, see the report of the Assistant Adjutant General published herewith.

## FINANCE.

Thanks to the careful management of the Assistant Quartermaster General and Assistant Adjutant General and the donations received from our allies, the Department is in splendid financial condition, with sufficient funds, if properly guarded, to carry on as long as the Department exists.

## MEMORIAL DAY.

Our own Grand Army Day, established for the purpose of paying honor to the memory of the gallant men — many of whom gave their all and others the best years of their lives to the service of their Country — has become a sacred day for us who still remain and a day of reverence for all patriotic citizens. I regret the tendency by the younger generation to devote the day to pleasures and games, and hope that the movement now in progress to prohibit games for some part of the day may prevail. The veterans of later wars have found the observance of Memorial Day sufficient remembrance for their "Buddies" and we cordially invite them to join with us in the ceremonies of the day. .

*In Memoriam.*

WILLIAM F. BROWN, Department Commander, died April 6, 1927.

It seems unusually sad that Comrade Brown should have been called away just as he was about to terminate his term of office as Department Commander, and enjoy the fruits of his splendid administration. Every Comrade will remember with delight his genial presence and earnest work for the Grand Army. He fully exemplified by his life the true spirit of patriotism.

JOHN M. WOOD, Past Department Commander, died April 10, 1927.

He was one of God's noblemen, a substantial and influential citizen and a true patriot.

J. PAYSON BRADLEY, Past Department Commander, died April 19, 1927.

He was the live wire of the Department; was always present at its meetings, and by his activities and wise counsel, made them interesting and profitable.

GEORGE W. PRATT, Past Department Commander, died August 18, 1927.

It was with deep sorrow I learned of the sudden death of Comrade Pratt, and I think I voice the sentiment of every Comrade of this Department that in his passing away the Department lost a faithful worker and a lovable Comrade.

Let us stand for a moment in silent reverence to the memory of these Comrades and the nearly 400 others that have passed on during the year 1927.



## COUNTY ASSOCIATIONS.

I am heartily in accord with County Associations of the G. A. R. and W. R. C. Their meetings provide an opportunity for the Comrades to get together in larger numbers than in their Posts and also furnish an opportunity to meet the members of the W. R. C. oftener. I feel that these meetings are of great benefit to the Comrades, as they come together socially and talk over old times and present conditions and go home feeling younger and have something to think of in anticipation of the next meeting. County Associations are a great help to the Department and, in my opinion, will take the place of Posts in the not-distant future.

The joint meeting of the G. A. R. and W. R. C. on these occasions, to which the public is admitted, does much toward cementing the friendship of the two organizations and refreshing the memory of the general public, and reminding them that they still have Civil War Veterans in the community to whom at least the public owes a debt of gratitude.

## NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT.

The 61st annual encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, held at Grand Rapids, Michigan, in the week commencing September 12th, 1927, I think will go on record as one of the most pleasant and successful that has been held.

We left Boston on September 10th at 9.30 A.M., and after an uneventful journey, arrived at Grand Rapids at about 12 o'clock, Sunday, September 11th.

I have heard many Comrades tell what a wonderful reception they were given at Des Moines last year, which encampment I am sorry to say I could not attend, but of one thing I feel assured, that nothing could surpass the hospitality extended by the people of Grand Rapids. They certainly gave us a warm reception, in every sense of the word.

Nothing notable was done in the way of legislation at the encampment and I refer you to orders from National Headquarters for such information.

I do desire to make mention of the Massachusetts Delegation, — first, as to their splendid appearance in the parade of Wednesday. I viewed the parade from the grandstand, and I want to tell you, without boasting, that no Department in line came anywhere near Massachusetts, in orderly marching and soldierly appearance. At the business meeting of the encampment every delegate was present from start to finish and I want to thank you all again for the credit you conferred on the Department and the honor done me as Commander.

## WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS.

I place first in order of the allied organizations this band of noble women who solely from patriotic motives united themselves under the above title and, Comrades, you all know how faithfully they have carried on the work indicated by the name *Relief Corps*. From the time of its inception, more than forty years ago to the present time, the Relief Corps has been to the forefront in all patriotic work — it has been instrumental in educating the rising generations, both in the homes and the public schools to love their Country and to obey its laws. On "Memorial Day" they are indispensable. At the bedside of sick Comrades they have been angels of mercy and no Comrade of the Grand Army in need of assistance has suffered if within reach of the Woman's Relief Corps. Much more could be said of their ministrations if time permitted. In conclusion, I want to express my appreciation of all they have done for the Grand Army and thank them for their hearty co-operation during my administration.

## SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR.

What would be more natural than for us Civil War Veterans to expect our sons to take up and carry on the work we have been doing for more than 60 years, and a certain percentage of them have done so. I regret that so many of them have not as yet seen fit to join the organization. I wish that all of them could be reached and be convinced that it is their duty as well as a great privilege for them to have

the opportunity of honoring their fathers and I think they will some time be proud of the fact that they are the Sons of Union Veterans.

To those who are already members of the organization I extend greetings, and wish to assure them that the Grand Army fully appreciates their fidelity, that we have always found them willing and anxious to do anything in their power for its welfare. I urge upon the Comrades to visit more frequently the meetings of the Sons and thus show them that we appreciate their loving efforts in our behalf. At the annual encampment of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, April, 1927, one brother remarked that the greatest enemies of the Sons of Veterans were in the G. A. R. I am sorry that any brother should get that impression. It may be that some individual member of the G. A. R. may have expressed himself so as to convey that impression, but I want to assure the Sons that the G. A. R. is in full sympathy with them, that we introduced a resolution in our National Encampment at Grand Rapids to make the Sons and Daughters our heirs. Permission to do so was granted any Department and I feel sure that this Department will confirm their action taken at the last Department Encampment and I recommend such legislation.

#### DAUGHTERS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR.

Closely allied with the Grand Army by the ties of blood and being joint heirs with the Sons of Veterans, much is expected of them, and I have found them far to exceed my expectation. Being composed mostly of younger women than the other allied organizations, their activities are naturally more vigorous. They are growing in number and influence. The Grand Army recognizes their efforts for the comfort and support they give to the Veterans, and wish them a happy and prosperous year. I hope that very soon the Grand Army will admit the Daughters of Veterans to their meetings as they now do the Sons of Veterans. We should be honored by their presence, and I recommend such legislation.

#### LADIES OF THE G. A. R.

This organization of patriotic women is fully living up to the objects for which they have pledged themselves and we as Grand Army men should especially recognize their work. It is composed only of blood relatives of the veterans and should therefore be very near to our hearts. I extend to them my hearty wishes for their future success.

#### SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR AUXILIARY.

Primarily organized to assist and co-operate with the Sons of Veterans, this splendid body of women has not confined itself to that object alone. They have interested themselves in all matters connected with the Grand Army. They have brought cheer to many a disabled Comrade and are earnest workers in patriotic education. Their influence has been of great value, both to the Grand Army and Sons of Veterans, and we wish them continued prosperity and happiness in their work of love.

#### ARMY NURSES.

How can we do justice, either in words or deeds, to these noble women who, in 1861 to 1865, left their homes and families and, during all that terrible war-time, shared with us the dangers and privations of the battlefield or the gruelling work in the hospitals. I can personally testify to the motherly care given to a homesick boy by one of these ministering angels and as the few of them that remain go down the pathway of life, let us show them that we appreciate their heroic work, and try to make their last days their best days.

#### SOLDIERS' HOME.

At the commencement of my administration, it was called to my attention that there were rumors of wrong-doings at the home. I have visited the home at unexpected times and have interviewed the inmates. I have found no ground for such complaints, — in fact, I have found extreme neatness, the tables well sup-

plied with plenty of healthful food, the medical attendance ample and the Commandant, Charles W. Parker, ever watchful for the interest and welfare of the Veterans under his care. I believe the Board of Trustees, composed of high-class and patriotic gentlemen, fully realize their responsibility and are doing all that can be done, with the means provided them, to make this in truth what it is in name — a Soldier's Home. All the Patriotic Women's organizations furnish the Veterans with entertainment and luxuries and by their occasional presence make it more home-like. The management would like to have any Comrade visit the Home at any time.

#### GOV. JOHN A. ANDREW HOME.

Comrades, do you realize that in the Gov. John A. Andrew Home is provided the only resort in Massachusetts where a Comrade and his wife can be cared for together and the widows of Civil War Veterans when they have no other home, and that this Home is supported by voluntary contributions?

This Home, only in a small measure, can supply such care by reason of limitation of means and space. Words cannot express my respect for the patriotic founders, and especially Mrs. Lue Stuart Wadsworth who, for no other compensation than the gratitude of those she has cared for, has given her time and strength to this noble work.

Let us, as Comrades of the Grand Army, express our appreciation of what is being done by the Gov. John A. Andrew Home, by encouraging words and better still by contributing to its support according to our means.

#### VETERANS OF OTHER WARS.

The Spanish American War Veterans, the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars are all organized for, and working on the same principles that the Grand Army has been carrying on for so many years. As the years multiply, we become closer allied with these younger orders, — let us associate with them more and more, that we may profit by their strength and they by our experience. As we believe in Union of States, let us cultivate union of effort to carry out our pledges of loyalty to our Country, care for our needy Comrades and their dependents, and devotion to the memory of those who have gone before.

#### DEPARTMENT OFFICERS.

One year more has been added to the record of this Department and it has been a delightful year to me. One of the pleasant memories I shall always have of my service as Department Commander will be the hearty co-operation of each and every elected and appointed Department Officer, and his eagerness to do anything in his power to promote the interests of the Department and assist me in my duties.

I have spent many pleasant hours at Headquarters and I am indebted to Comrade Wilfred A. Wetherbee, Assistant Adjutant General, for much of my information relating to the Department. On all my visits I have found him at his desk, at all times ready to give information or advice to any Comrade in the most gracious manner.

I wish to make special mention of Mrs. Helen A. Phinney, Headquarters Clerk, appointed by Commander Brown, in 1926. It was my pleasure to reappoint her this year. For efficiency and strict attention to her duties, I highly commend her. She has been of great help to the Assistant Adjutant General and a source of much information to me. Her courteous manner and genial disposition make it a pleasure to visit Headquarters and a delightful experience to all who meet her.

To each and every one I extend my heartfelt thanks for your assistance.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS.

I recommend that the sum of \$1,200 be appropriated for the salary of the Assistant Adjutant General.

I recommend that the sum of \$600 be appropriated for the salary of the Headquarters clerk.



I recommend that the sum of \$500 be appropriated to defray the travelling expenses of the Department Commander and of such other officers as he may detail to attend County Associations and other functions at which it may be desirable that the Department should be officially represented.

I recommend that a sufficient sum be appropriated to maintain Department Headquarters and to defray the expenses of the Department Commander, and of the Assistant Adjutant General at the next National Encampment.

I recommend that a committee of five members be chosen to formulate some plan of disposing of the Department property after it shall cease to exist and report at the next Department Encampment.

#### IN CONCLUSION.

In a few short hours, I shall surrender to my successor the trust you confided to my keeping one year ago, but in doing so I shall not surrender the memory of the wonderful receptions I have received everywhere in my visitations. I have had to limit them somewhat on account of physical condition, but have tried to distribute them so as to cover as much territory as possible. I shall soon become a Past Commander, but I want to assure you that, until a star appears against my name in the Grand Army Roster, I shall not cease my activities or lessen my interest in the Department. I have had the loyal support of the allied organizations, the Department Officers and every Comrade. I thank you, and bespeak the same good will for my successor to the end that we may long endure the same happy family.

I remain, as ever, a Comrade.

HENRY A. MONK, *Department-Commander*.

#### REPORT OF DEPARTMENT SENIOR VICE-COMMANDER.

WORCESTER, March 1, 1928.

WILFRED A. WETHERBEE, *Assistant Adjutant-General*:

COMRADE:—In compliance with established custom, and in obedience to the rules and regulations of our order, I have the honor to herewith submit my report as Senior Vice-Commander for the current year.

By request of Department Commander Monk I represented him at several County Associations, where I was courteously received and entertained.

I have made official visits to the Allied Organizations of our own, as well as the Spanish and World Wars as an invited guest; also banquets and public gatherings at which I was called on to address them. I have by request visited several schools. I also delivered the Memorial Address at Greenfield, Massachusetts, and East Northfield, Massachusetts.

I attended the National Encampment at Grand Rapids, 1927, and was very proud to march at the head of our Massachusetts Comrades, who, to my mind, carried off the honors. In my work I have been outspoken for an increase in pensions for our Comrades and our Widows, not only among our own people, but also not forgetting to remind our own Congressmen and Senators, and my acquaintances of other than our own, pleading for our rights as depicted by "Abraham Lincoln," when he said, "We can not do too much for these Men, their Widows and their Orphans," and I pray God their hearts may be touched with a sense of their duties before it is too late. To Department Commander Monk, Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee and Junior Vice-Commander Webb, I will say we have been a "happy family," the memory of which will ever remain with me.

To my Comrades I wish to thank you all for the honor you conferred upon me, in electing me as your Senior Vice Department-Commander.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

EDWIN J. FOSTER, *Department Senior Vice-Commander*.



## REPORT OF DEPARTMENT JUNIOR VICE-COMMANDER.

QUINCY, MASS., March 1, 1928.

WILFRED A. WETHERBEE, *Assistant Adjutant-General*:

COMRADE: — In compliance with the Rules and Regulations of the Massachusetts Department, G. A. R., I have the honor to submit my report as Department Junior Vice-Commander.

It has been a pleasant duty to execute every detail given by Commander Monk.

I have received many invitations to installations, County and Patriotic Associations, and have enjoyed them and profited by attending them.

I attended the National Encampment at Grand Rapids, and was very proud of my comrades' soldierly appearance on that occasion. I desire to extend my sincere thanks for the honor conferred upon me by electing me as your Junior Vice-Commander at our State Encampment.

I wish to thank the Assistant Adjutant-General, Wilfred A. Wetherbee, and the Headquarters' Clerk for courtesies received from them.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

JAMES H. WEBB, *Department Junior Vice-Commander*.

## REPORT OF MEDICAL DIRECTOR.

FALL RIVER, MASS., Feb. 16, 1928.

WILFRED A. WETHERBEE, *Assistant Adjutant-General*:

COMRADE: — I have the honor to report as Medical Director of Dept. of Massachusetts, Grand Army of the Republic. At the Dept. Encampment held April, 1927, I was elected to this important position and for which I wish to return thanks to the Comrades for this honor conferred upon me.

During the time since my election I have done what I could to give cheer and comfort to the Comrades and have endeavored to extend the influence and spirit of our order everywhere.

I have been called to visit and address various schools and other organizations in our city.

I am still alive in the good work of keeping the flag waving and the camp fires burning which is the duty of us all as long as God gives us strength to do it. With many thanks for honors conferred.

In F., C. and L.,

JOHN GILBERT, M.D., *Medical Director*.

## REPORT OF DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN.

NORWOOD, MASS., March 1, 1928.

WILFRED A. WETHERBEE, *Assistant Adjutant-General*:

COMRADE: — I have the honor to report as follows:

Although our numbers are decreasing, there is much to encourage us in our Department. One hundred and twenty posts reported Memorial Day Services, with one thousand Comrades attending them, and the Sunday services also were well attended. Forty thousand graves were decorated and six Civil War Veterans gave addresses. Our allied orders and other organizations assisted willingly in these sacred services.

Many items of interest were suggested in these reports, viz.:

1. We have only a few members but we see the work of decorating the graves is properly done.

2. We have only two members but we keep step together.

3. Our oldest member marched all the way to the Cemetery.

4. The Surgeon who is totally blind is seldom absent from our regular meetings.

5. We always open and close our meetings in regular form.

6. Our Commander failed to hand me the blank report, hence the delay.

7. The Chaplain in Chief wrote your department Chaplain thus — "Your report is the best received."

8. In Norwood a Memorial Building is in process of erection and is being built in honor of the Veterans of all our Wars. We expect it will be completed by next September.

Comrades, let us thank God for all the blessings He is bestowing upon us, and keep step together until we receive our final promotion.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

GEORGE W. NEAD, *Department Chaplain.*

## REPORT OF ASSISTANT ADJUTANT-GENERAL.

Boston, March 1, 1928.

HENRY A. MONK, *Department Commander:*

COMRADE: — I have the honor to render my report as Assistant Adjutant-General for the year ending February 29, 1928. The following table shows the membership of the Department December 31, 1927:

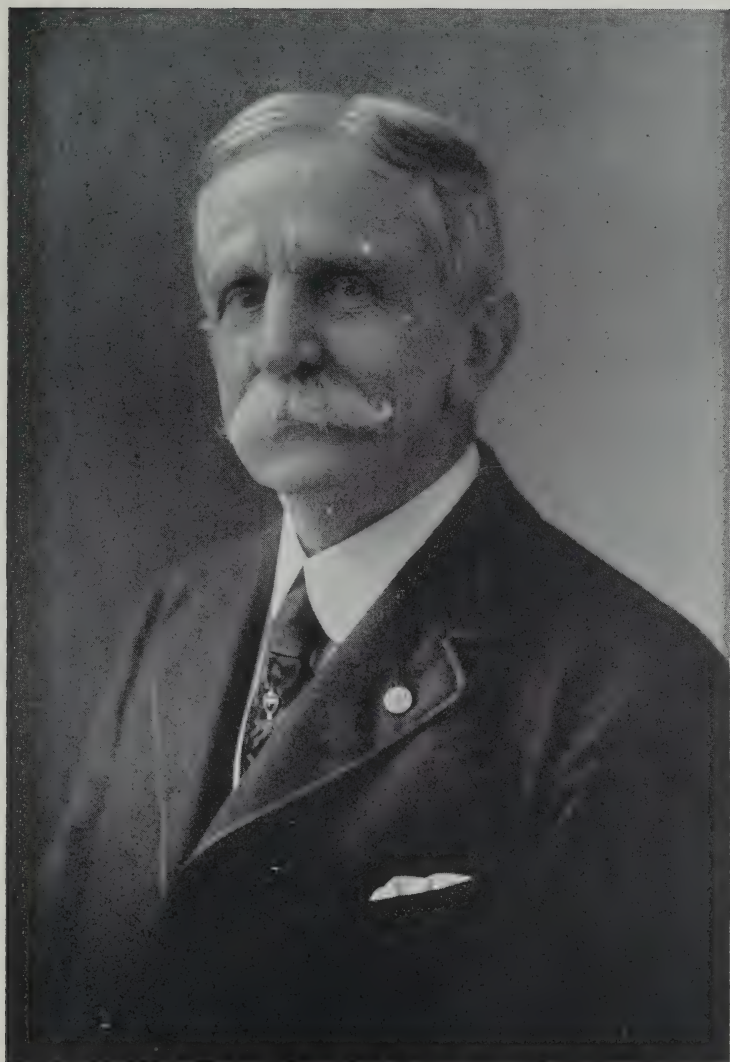
Number of Posts . . . . .	149
Number of Comrades in good standing Dec. 31, 1926 . . . . .	2,179
Number gained from all sources . . . . .	51
Aggregate . . . . .	2,230
Number of Comrades lost by death . . . . .	366
Number lost from all other sources . . . . .	55
Total loss . . . . .	421
Number in good standing Dec. 31, 1927 . . . . .	1,809
There has been reported expended in Relief . . . . .	\$6,088 71

The following posts, five in number, have surrendered their charters during the year: Post 67 of Manchester, 106 of Rockport, 133 of Plainville, 135 of Shrewsbury and 196 of Great Barrington.

Failing to render their annual reports 2 posts have been put on the delinquent list.

Of the 149 posts in good standing 3 posts have but one member each, 11 posts have 2, 9 posts have 3, 10 posts have 4, and 6 have 5. There are but 26 posts that have 20 members or more. Total membership, 1,809.

Much extra labor is placed upon Headquarters because of the failure of the last remaining Comrade to make proper arrangements for the disposal of their Post Charter and Records after they shall have passed away. When a post ceases to function, its Charter and Records *must* be placed in the Public Library of the town or city, or its Historical Society. The Public Library is preferable. Three hundred and sixty-six Comrades entered the Great Camping Ground. Prominent among those who have left us are Comrades William F. Brown, Commander of the Department at the time of his death, Past Department Commanders Thomas J. Ames, John M. Woods, J. Payson Bradley, and George W. Pratt. Each of these Comrades has won the love and esteem of all our Comrades, and will be greatly missed at our Encampments. "Oh, for the touch of a vanished hand, and the sound of a voice that is still."



J. PAYSON BRADLEY  
DEPARTMENT COMMANDER  
1906—1907  
NONE KNEW HIM BUT TO LOVE HIM





## REPORT OF MEMBERSHIP BY DISTRICTS, AND OF THE NUMBER OF REPRESENTATIVES TO THE NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT TO WHICH EACH DISTRICT IS ENTITLED IN 1928.

	COUNTIES.	Members.	Representatives.	
District No. 1 . . .	{ Barnstable . . . . . Bristol . . . . . Nantucket . . . . .	{ 7 137 3 }	147	1
District No. 2 . . .	Plymouth . . . . .	140	1	
District No. 3 . . .	Norfolk . . . . .	110	1	
District No. 4 . . .	Suffolk . . . . .	259	3	
District No. 5 . . .	Essex . . . . .	359	4	
District No. 6 . . .	Middlesex . . . . .	365	4	
District No. 7 . . .	Worcester . . . . .	253	2	
District No. 8 . . .	Hampden . . . . .	66	1	
District No. 9 . . .	{ Berkshire . . . . . Franklin . . . . . Hampshire . . . . .	{ 39 33 38 }	110	1
		1,809	18	

The following table shows the membership by counties in detail:

## TABULATED REPORT BY COUNTIES.

Number of Post.	LOCATION.	Number of Members.	Number of Post.	LOCATION.	Number of Members.
	<i>Barnstable County.</i>			<i>Bristol County —Con.</i>	
132	Sandwich . . .	—	182	Somerset . . .	3
203	Bourne . . .	3	190	New Bedford . . .	27
204	Centerville . . .	4	192	North Attleborough	8
	Total (3 Posts) .	7		Total (9 Posts) .	137
	<i>Berkshire County.</i>			<i>Essex County.</i>	
79	North Adams . .	15	5	Lynn . . .	83
125	Pittsfield . . .	20	34	Salem . . .	41
209	Williamstown . .	4	39	Lawrence . . .	20
	Total (3 Posts) .	39	45	Gloucester . . .	10
	<i>Bristol County.</i>		47	Haverhill . . .	34
1	New Bedford . .	15	49	Newburyport . .	31
3	Taunton . . .	25	50	Peabody . . .	12
46	Fall River . . .	25	82	Marblehead . . .	20
52	Eastondale . . .	7	89	Beverly . . .	23
145	Attleboro . . .	18	90	Danvers . . .	16
170	Mansfield . . .	9	95	Saugus . . .	4
			99	Andover . . .	5
			101	Groveland . . .	6
			114	Merrimac . . .	10

TABULATED REPORT BY COUNTIES — *Continued.*

Number of Post.	LOCATION.	Number of Mem- bers.	Number of Post.	LOCATION.	Number of Mem- bers.
	<i>Essex County — Con.</i>			<i>Middlesex County —</i>	
118	Swampscott . . .	6		Con.	
122	Amesbury . . .	9	63	Natick . . .	16
128	Ipswich . . .	6	66	Medford . . .	9
146	Lawrence . . .	18	75	Stoneham . . .	20
151	West Newbury . . .	2	81	Watertown . . .	10
152	Essex . . .	2	115	Groton . . .	3
188	Beverly Farms . . .	1	119	Lexington . . .	5
	Total (21 Posts) .	359	120	Lowell . . .	13
	<i>Franklin County.</i>		138	West Acton . . .	10
17	Orange . . .	10	139	Somerville . . .	23
93	Shelburne Falls . . .	4	156	Everett . . .	8
164	Conway . . .	3	161	Woburn . . .	5
171	Northfield . . .	2	163	Framingham . . .	13
174	Greenfield . . .	14	180	Concord . . .	4
	Total (5 Posts) .	33	185	Lowell . . .	23
	<i>Hampden County.</i>		194	Reading . . .	10
16	Springfield . . .	47	195	East Pepperell . . .	8
41	Westfield . . .	10		Total (31 Posts) .	365
71	Holyoke . . .	9		<i>Nantucket County.</i>	
	Total (3 Posts) .	66	207	Nantucket . . .	3
	<i>Hampshire County.</i>			Total (1 Post) .	3
85	Ware . . .	8		<i>Norfolk County.</i>	
86	Northampton . . .	30	58	East Weymouth . . .	23
	Total (2 Posts) .	38	60	Franklin . . .	5
	<i>Middlesex County.</i>		72	Stoughton . . .	12
4	Melrose . . .	16	87	South Braintree . . .	4
9	Hudson . . .	8	88	Quincy . . .	10
12	Wakefield . . .	19	94	Canton . . .	6
14	Hopkinton . . .	8	102	Milton . . .	7
18	Ashland . . .	2	110	Randolph . . .	14
29	Waltham . . .	14	117	Medfield . . .	2
30	Cambridge . . .	13	130	West Medway . . .	8
33	Woburn . . .	1	143	Brookline . . .	4
36	Arlington . . .	13	144	Dedham . . .	6
40	Malden . . .	23	169	Norwood . . .	5
42	Lowell . . .	8	193	Avon . . .	4
43	Marlborough . . .	14		Total (14 Posts) .	110
48	Ayer . . .	8		<i>Plymouth County.</i>	
56	Cambridge . . .	7	8	Middleborough . . .	19
62	Newtonville . . .	31	13	Brockton . . .	33
			31	Scituate . . .	7

TABULATED REPORT BY COUNTIES — *Concluded.*

Number of Post.	LOCATION.	Number of Mem- bers.	Number of Post.	LOCATION.	Number of Mem- bers.
	<i>Plymouth County —</i>			<i>Suffolk County—Con.</i>	
	Con.		199	Revere . . .	3
73	Abington . . .	10	200	Jamaica Plain . .	10
74	Rockland . . .	15		Total (18 Posts).	259
76	Plymouth . . .	11			
78	Whitman . . .	12		<i>Worcester County.</i>	
83	Hanover . . .	4		Worcester . . .	84
104	Hingham . . .	6	10	Fitchburg . . .	18
111	Pembroke . . .	3	19	Milford . . .	9
112	Norwell . . .	5	22	Grafton . . .	2
154	Kingston . . .	1	24	Spencer . . .	11
165	Duxbury . . .	3	37	Brookfield . . .	2
189	Marshfield Hills . .	7	38	Southborough . .	3
208	Wareham . . .	4	44	North Brookfield .	6
	Total (15 Posts).	140	51	Leominster . . .	17
			53	Webster . . .	11
	<i>Suffolk County.</i>		61	Clinton . . .	9
2	South Boston . . .	12	64	Westminster . . .	2
7	Boston . . .	21	69	Millbury . . .	4
11	Charlestown . . .	21	70	Holden . . .	2
15	Boston . . .	26	77	Westborough . . .	9
21	Boston . . .	3	80	Upton . . .	3
23	East Boston . . .	5	105	East Templeton . .	3
26	Roxbury . . .	28	109	Gardner . . .	12
32	South Boston . . .	3	116	Athol Center . . .	8
35	Chelsea . . .	25	123	Athol . . .	8
68	Dorchester . . .	27	140	Winchendon . . .	4
92	Brighton . . .	11	153	West Brookfield . .	3
113	Boston . . .	23	160	Sturbridge . . .	9
121	Hyde Park . . .	16	168	Southbridge . . .	7
134	Boston . . .	9	173	Barre . . .	7
159	East Boston . . .	6	179		
191	Boston . . .	10		Total (25 Posts).	253

I congratulate the Department on its good fortune in securing the services of our present Headquarters Clerk, Mrs. Helen A. Phinney. She has been a prompt and efficient official, and always has a pleasant word of greeting to the Comrades and other visitors at Headquarters. Her work is a model of correctness and neatness.

My dear Commander, my one regret is in the fact that our official life together is about to end. We have been good friends for many years, but I feel that our relations this year have tended to strengthen the bond of friendship that exists between us, and I shall always hold the memories of 1927 as among the pleasantest of my life.

My earnest wish is that you may live for many years, and enjoy the happy reflection consequent on a successful administration.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

WILFRED A. WETHERBEE, *Assistant Adjutant-General.*

## REPORT OF ASSISTANT QUARTERMASTER-GENERAL.

BOSTON, March 1, 1928.

WILFRED A. WETHERBEE, *Assistant Adjutant-General*:

COMRADE: — I have the honor to submit herewith my report of the transactions of this office during the past year. The following tables, which are supported by vouchers, show all receipts and expenditures of funds which have come into my possession:

## INVESTED FUNDS.

Cash on hand March 1, 1927 . . . . .	\$7,755 18	
Received interest, Boston Five Cents Savings Bank . . . . .	113 18	
Received interest, East Cambridge Savings Bank . . . . .	84 95	
Received interest, Home Savings Bank . . . . .	73 81	
Received interest, Warren Institution for Savings . . . . .	68 49	
Received interest, Provident Institution for Savings . . . . .	19 79	
	<hr/>	\$8,115 40
Invested in Liberty Bonds March 1, 1927 . . . . .	\$3,000 00	
Transferred to General Fund . . . . .	1,000 00	
	<hr/>	2,000 00
Total on hand March 1, 1928 . . . . .		\$10,115 40

## GENERAL FUND.

*Receipts.*

Cash on hand March 1, 1927 . . . . .	\$716 80	
Sale of Supplies . . . . .	85 87	
Interest, Atlantic Bank . . . . .	8 11	
Interest, Liberty Bonds . . . . .	169 09	
Woman's Relief Corps . . . . .	1,000 00	
Ladies' G. A. R. . . . .	100 00	
Daughters of Veterans . . . . .	300 00	
Sale of tickets . . . . .	207 00	
Membership-at-large, dues . . . . .	19 00	
All other sources . . . . .	7 60	
Transferred from Invested Fund . . . . .	1,000 00	
Total . . . . .	<hr/> \$3,613 47	
Less expense . . . . .	3,416 06	
Cash on hand February 29 . . . . .		197 41
Cash in both funds . . . . .		<hr/> \$10,312 81

*Expenditures.***March, 1927.**

Parcel Post . . . . .	\$0 10	
Boston Regalia Co., supplies . . . . .	68	
New England Tel. & Tel. Co. . . . .	20	
W. A. Wetherbee, office supplies . . . . .	1 79	
Postage stamps . . . . .	1 00	
Pittsfield Flower Shop, wreath . . . . .	5 40	
New England Tel. & Tel. Co. . . . .	10	
W. A. Wetherbee, salary for March . . . . .	100 00	
Helen A. Phinney, salary for March . . . . .	41 66	
Postage stamps . . . . .	70	
	<hr/>	\$151 63

**April, 1927.**

A. C. Morrill, printing . . . . .	\$9 00
W. A. Wetherbee, supplies . . . . .	20
Baptist Social Union . . . . .	39 00
S. S. Pierce Co. . . . .	23 00

**April, 1927.**

C. C. Whittemore . . . . .	\$250 00
Deposit on envelopes . . . . .	6 62
Telegram . . . . .	40
O'Neil & Parker, bond . . . . .	12 50
T. F. Murphy, custodian . . . . .	5 00
J. R. Whipple Co. . . . .	100 25
W. A. Wetherbee, stamps . . . . .	50
Wm. Greene, expressing . . . . .	3 00
Parcel post . . . . .	25
W. A. Wetherbee, travelling . . . . .	9 71
W. A. Wetherbee, salary for April . . . . .	100 00
H. A. Phinney, salary for April . . . . .	58 34
Stamps . . . . .	10
W. A. Wetherbee, supplies . . . . .	1 20

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 \$619 07
**May, 1927.**

Bates Torrey, encampment reports . . . . .	\$108 00
A. C. Morrill, rosters and general orders . . . . .	115 00
New England Tel. & Tel. Co. . . . .	10
W. A. Wetherbee, stamps . . . . .	5 00
J. Newman & Sons, wreaths . . . . .	15 00
Roland M. Baker, stamped envelopes . . . . .	45 00
Henry Monk, travelling . . . . .	8 20
W. A. Wetherbee, supplies . . . . .	25
Griffith Stillings Press . . . . .	12 00
W. A. Wetherbee, salary for May . . . . .	100 00
H. A. Phinney, salary for May . . . . .	50 00
Stamps . . . . .	30

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 458 85
**June, 1927.**

Stamps . . . . .	\$0 60
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, supplies . . . . .	1 50
H. A. Monk, travelling . . . . .	10 70
A. C. Morrill, printing . . . . .	27 50
H. A. Monk, travelling . . . . .	8 17
W. A. Wetherbee, salary for June . . . . .	100 00
H. A. Phinney, salary for June . . . . .	50 00
W. A. Wetherbee, travelling . . . . .	2 00

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 200 47
**July, 1927.**

New England Tel. & Tel. Co. . . . .	\$0 75
Griffith Stillings Press, letter heads . . . . .	72 00
A. C. Morrill, printing . . . . .	17 00
Parcel post . . . . .	50
W. A. Wetherbee, travelling . . . . .	5 06
W. A. Wetherbee, salary for July . . . . .	100 00
H. A. Phinney, salary for July . . . . .	50 00

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 245 31
**August, 1927.**

New England Tel. & Tel. Co. . . . .	\$0 50
E. J. Foster, travelling . . . . .	1 65
G. A. Hosley, encampment expense . . . . .	4 00
Stone & Forsyth Co., paper and twine . . . . .	65
A. C. Morrill, printing . . . . .	9 00
W. A. Wetherbee, travelling . . . . .	4 59
Parcel post and stamps . . . . .	1 28
W. A. Wetherbee, salary for August . . . . .	100 00
H. A. Phinney, salary for August . . . . .	50 00

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 171 67



**September, 1927.**

J. Newman Sons, wreath . . . . .	\$5 00
New England Tel. & Tel. Co. . . . .	80
National Encampment . . . . .	328 16
Greene, expressman . . . . .	1 00
E. J. Foster, travelling . . . . .	14 81
Stamps . . . . .	1 00
American Express, flag box . . . . .	4 29
H. A. Monk, travelling . . . . .	16 75
W. A. Wetherbee, salary for September . . . . .	100 00
H. A. Phinney, salary for September . . . . .	50 00

\$521 81  
1,000 00

Liberty Bond, transferred to General Fund . . . . .

**October, 1927.**

New England Tel. & Tel. Co. . . . .	\$0 70
Stone & Forsyth Co., supplies . . . . .	3 00
Cola D. R. Stowits, supplies . . . . .	23 55
E. J. Foster, travelling . . . . .	3 10
Alex C. Morrill, printing . . . . .	13 00
W. A. Wetherbee, travelling . . . . .	8 44
W. A. Wetherbee, salary for October . . . . .	100 00
H. A. Phinney, salary for October . . . . .	50 00
Postage . . . . .	14

201 93

**November, 1927.**

George A. Wilder, travelling . . . . .	\$1 00
New England Tel. & Tel. Co. . . . .	70
H. A. Monk, travelling . . . . .	6 48
Parcel post . . . . .	35
V. H. Blackington Co., supplies . . . . .	12 13
R. M. Baker, postage stamps . . . . .	4 00
Griffith Stillings, letter heads . . . . .	3 15
A. C. Morrill, printing . . . . .	10 00
Stamps . . . . .	44
W. A. Wetherbee, salary for November . . . . .	100 00
H. A. Phinney, salary for November . . . . .	50 00

188 25

**December, 1927.**

H. A. Monk, travelling . . . . .	\$8 61
A. C. Morrill, printing . . . . .	9 00
Harding Regalia Co., gold cords . . . . .	4 50
Stamps . . . . .	1 00
W. A. Wetherbee, salary for December . . . . .	100 00
Helen A. Phinney, salary for December . . . . .	50 00

173 11

**January, 1928.**

Henry A. Monk . . . . .	\$4 00
C. D. R. Stowits, supplies . . . . .	12 50
Alex C. Morrill, printing . . . . .	11 00
New England Tel. & Tel. Co. . . . .	80
C. D. R. Stowits, supplies . . . . .	1 80
C. D. R. Stowits, per capita tax, 1,809 members . . . . .	63 32
Damon Co., supplies . . . . .	70
Boston Regalia Co., supplies . . . . .	1 88
U. S. Post Office, deposit on envelopes . . . . .	2 59
W. A. Wetherbee, salary for January . . . . .	100 00
H. A. Phinney, salary for January . . . . .	50 00

248 59

**February, 1928.**

Henry A. Monk, travelling . . . . .	\$14 45	
New England Tel. & Tel. Co. . . . .	10	
Parcel post . . . . .	10	
Porter . . . . .	50	
U. S. Post Office, envelopes . . . . .	20 00	
Stamps . . . . .	1 00	
L. E. Muran Co., cash books . . . . .	31 75	
A. C. Morrill, printing . . . . .	13 00	
Postage . . . . .	07	
Stamps . . . . .	2 00	
W. A. Wetherbee, travelling . . . . .	2 40	
W. A. Wetherbee, salary for February . . . . .	100 00	
Helen A. Phinney, salary for February . . . . .	50 00	
		<u>\$235 37</u>
Total expense . . . . .		\$3,416 06

## MERCHANDISE ACCOUNT.

<i>Dr.</i>		
On hand March 1, 1927 . . . . .	\$119 60	
Bought during the year . . . . .	57 04	
Profit and loss . . . . .	110 30	
		<u>\$286 94</u>
<i>Cr.</i>		
Sold during the year . . . . .	\$85 87	
On hand March 1, 1928 . . . . .	201 07	
		<u>\$286 94</u>

## ASSETS.

Invested Fund:		
Boston Five Cents Savings Bank . . . . .	\$2,600 27	
East Cambridge Savings Bank . . . . .	1,763 75	
Home Savings Bank . . . . .	1,696 24	
Warren Institution for Savings . . . . .	1,574 13	
Provident Institution for Savings . . . . .	481 01	
		<u>\$8,115 40</u>
Liberty Bonds . . . . .	2,000 00	
Total . . . . .		<u>\$10,115 40</u>
General Fund:		
Atlantic Bank . . . . .	\$180 50	
Cash in safe . . . . .	16 91	
		<u>197 41</u>
Total . . . . .		<u>\$10,312 81</u>
Value of supplies . . . . .	\$201 07	
Colors . . . . .	200 00	
Office furniture . . . . .	250 00	
		<u>\$651 07</u>

## LIABILITIES.

None.

Respectfully submitted,

EUGENE D. SANBORN, Assistant Quartermaster-General.

## REPORT OF DEPARTMENT INSPECTOR.

SOUTHERIDGE, MASS., March 1, 1928.

WILFRED A. WETHERBEE, *Assistant Adjutant-General*:

COMRADE:—No inspections have been called for during my term of office, consequently my duties have been very light. I desire to thank Commander Monk for the honor conferred upon me.

Yours fraternally,

GEO. W. COREY, *Department Inspector*.

## REPORT OF CHIEF MUSTERING OFFICER.

GARDNER, March 1, 1928.

WILFRED A. WETHERBEE, *Assistant Adjutant-General*:

COMRADE:—As Chief Mustering Officer I have but little to report. With the decline of members, the duties of that office have lessened almost to a blank.

As Commander of my Post I have tried to exemplify, as best I could, the patriotism our Order has long sought to impress on the minds of the coming generations, and to bring good cheer to the hearts of all my Comrades.

I greatly appreciate the honor conferred upon me by the Department Commander.

Fraternally yours in F., C. and L.,

ROSWELL C. POWERS, *Chief Mustering Officer*.

## REPORT OF DEPARTMENT PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR.

ATTLEBORO, MASS., March 1, 1928.

WILFRED A. WETHERBEE, *Assistant Adjutant-General*:

COMRADE:—In compliance with requirements of Department Headquarters I have the honor to submit the following report:

No funds or stationery having been furnished for use of the Department Patriotic Instructor, I have not kept in touch, personally, or by letter, with the different Posts. From the 152 Posts in good standing in the Department, 62 reports have been received, 39 made by regularly appointed and installed Patriotic Instructors. Twenty-three were made by the Sons of Union Veterans, members of the Woman's Relief Corps, American Legion, Quartermasters, Adjutants, Adjutants' clerks, etc. Although many of the reports received were irregular and incomplete by reason, no doubt, of old age and other infirmities of the old Comrades, yet every one of these reports breathed the same spirit of loyalty, patriotism and love of flag and country that has dominated the hearts of the Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic for more than two-thirds of a century, and which, I believe, will continue to dominate the hearts and minds of the American people all over this fair land for all time to come. I desire to thank again the Dept. Commander for the honor conferred upon me. I surely could ask for no greater honor than to round out a long, somewhat eventful and strenuous life of ninety-five years, as Patriotic Instructor of the Dept. of Mass., Grand Army of the Republic.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

J. W. BEAN, *Major, U. S. Army, retired*,*Department Patriotic Instructor*.

## REPORT OF THE COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.

HENRY A. MONK, *Department Commander*:

The Council of Administration for the year 1927-28, respectfully submits the following report:

The first meeting of the year was held May 19, 1927. With the exception of one, all members were present.

It was voted that the Department Encampment of 1928 be held April 10 and 11.

It was voted to hold the Annual Banquet, and the Assistant Adjutant-General was given full powers to make the necessary arrangements for the same.

The Commander appointed the following-named members as Auditing Committee: Comrades Batchelder, Flynn and Chamberlin.

The second and final meeting of the Council was held March 2. With one exception, all members were present.

The Auditing Committee made its report, stating it had examined the books and accounts and found them correct, and verified the cash on hand February 29 to be \$10,312.81.

On motion it was unanimously voted that Mrs. Helen A. Phinney, Headquarters Clerk, be made Secretary of the Credential Committee.

The Council ratified the action of the Commander in reserving a portion of the floor of Faneuil Hall for Comrades who were not delegates.

The Resolution, which was laid on the table at the last Encampment, making every Comrade in the Department who is in good standing in his Post, a voting member in future encampments, was freely discussed, and received the unanimous approval of the Council.

It was voted that the Sons of Veterans be invited to furnish autos to carry those delegates who are too feeble to march and who are to attend the banquet, from Faneuil Hall to the Ford Building.

WILFRED A. WETHERBEE, *Assistant Adjutant-General*.

## REPORT OF AUDITING COMMITTEE.

BOSTON, March 1, 1928.

HENRY A. MONK, *Department-Commander*:

COMRADE: — The Auditing Committee respectfully reports that they have examined the books and accounts of the Assistant Quartermaster-General and have found them correct, with vouchers for all charges made to February 29, 1928.

We have verified the cash and find the total amount on hand February 29, 1928, to be \$10,312.81.

JAMES F. FLYNN,  
HENRI BATCHELDER,  
A. OTIS CHAMBERLIN,  
*Auditing Committee.*



## MUSTERED OUT

DURING THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1927.

NAME.	Date of Death.	Rank.	Regiment or Ship.	Place of Birth.
<i>Post 1, New Bedford.</i>				
Albert Winters	Jan. 7	Private	5 Mass. Battery	Providence, R. I.
John H. Lawrence	Jan. 12	Private	Co. B, 3 Mass. Heavy Artillery	Brighton, Mass.
Squire H. H. Lucas	May 2	Private	Co. H, 3 Mass. Cavalry	New Bedford, Mass.
Francis H. Swift	May 12	Private	Co. I, 40 Mass. Infantry	Sandwich, Mass.
Robert W. Tabor	Sept. 24	Private	15 Mass. Unattached Co.	New Bedford, Mass.
Samuel S. Bumpus	Nov. 7	Master's Mate	"Port Royal"	Wareham, Mass.
<i>Post 2, South Boston.</i>				
James Crowley	Mar. 4	Musician	Co. C, 24 Mass. Infantry	Ireland.
Francis E. Huckins	Apr. 12	Private	Co. G, 15 Mass. Volunteers	Grafton, Mass.
J. Payson Bradley	Apr. 19	Musician	Co. B, Mass. Heavy Artillery	Methuen, Mass.
<i>Post 3, Taunton.</i>				
Edward W. Harlow	Jan. 30	Private	Co. G, 11 N. Y. Cavalry	Boston, Mass.
George T. Briggs	April 5	Private	Co. D, 7 Mass. Infantry	Dighton, Mass.
Lorenzo H. Francis	June 13	Private	Co. B, 12 R. I. Infantry	Windham, Vt.
Albert A. Evans	July 10	Private	22 Unattached Mass. Co.	New Bedford, Mass.
Clark P. Borden	Oct. 3	Private	Co. F, 39 Mass. Infantry	Belmont, N. Y.
Oris T. Eaton	Oct. 30	Private	Co. C, 22 Mass. Infantry	Raynham, Mass.
Charles R. Dean	Dec. 27	Private	Co. F, 2 Mass. Heavy Artillery	Taunton, Mass.
<i>Post 4, Melrose.</i>				
Rev. Frank K. Stratton	June 6	Chaplain	11 N. H. Volunteers	Albion, Me.
Robert M. Harris	Nov. 14	Private	Co. A, Me. State Guard	Eastport, Me.
John D. Cooley	Mar. 12	Seaman	U. S. Navy	Chicago, Ill.
<i>Post 5, Lynn.</i>				
James W. Adgursion	Feb. 1	Private	Co. F, 54 Mass. Infantry	Tennessee.
John I. Chase	Feb. 7	Private	Co. F, 8 Mass. Infantry	Lynn, Mass.
Thomas J. Cusick	Mar. 9	Private	10 Mass. Battery	Brookline, Mass.
Hiram S. Choate	Apr. 1	Private	Co. F, 22 Mass. Infantry	Canaan, N. H.
Clarence M. Sprague	Apr. 12	Private	Co. D, 8 Mass. Infantry	Lynn, Mass.
Moses S. Barnes	Apr. 13	Private	Co. E, 29 Mass. Infantry	Plymouth, Mass.
Edmund P. Buss	Apr. 23	Private	Co. K, 6 N. H. Infantry	Martow, N. H.
Benj. F. Peach, Jr.	May 26	Colonel	Co. A, 8 Mass. Infantry	Narblehead, Mass.
Benj. R. Newhall	June 2	Private	Co. A, 61 Mass. Infantry	Saugus, Mass.
Joseph H. Richardson	Sept. 15	Corporal	18 Mass. Infantry	Danvers, Mass.
Orlando C. Puckham	Sept. 26	Corporal	Co. D, 3 Mass. Heavy Artillery	Reading, Mass.
James O. Brown	Nov. 3	Corporal	Co. A, 32 Mass. Infantry	Lynn, Mass.
Edward S. Hay	Nov. 14	Second Lieutenant	Co. H, 26 Mass. Infantry	Philadelphia, Pa.
Simmons A. Mitchell	Nov. 16	Private	Co. K, 19 Me. Infantry	Wales, Me.



NAME.	Date of Death.	Rank.	Regiment or Ship.	Place of Birth.
<i>Post 12, Wakefield.</i>				
Charles A. Evans	Feb. 5	Private	Co. K, 23 Mass. Infantry	Wakefield, Mass.
James E. Fairbanks	Dec. 13	Private	Co. D, 30 Mass. Infantry	Sudbury, Mass.
<i>Post 13, Brockton.</i>				
Patrick Handrahan	Feb. 20	Private	U. S. Navy	Ireland.
Hugh Riley	June 2	Corporal	Co. B, 98 N. Y. Infantry	Ireland.
George H. Ackerman	July 5	Captain	Co. D, 22 Mass. Infantry	Charlestown, Mass.
A. E. Paine	Sept. 30	Surgeon	104 U. S. Colored Troops	Truro, Mass.
Thomas Kenney	Oct. 16	Private	Co. C, 60 Mass. Infantry	Roxbury, Mass.
<i>Post 14, Hopkinton.</i>				
Henry L. Adams	Mar. 18	Private	Co. B, 25 Mass. Infantry	Hopkinton, Mass.
Joseph Whitney	Apr. 12 <sup>1</sup>	Private	Co. H, 4 Mass. Heavy Artillery	Grafton, Mass.
Horace Phipps	July 3 <sup>1</sup>	Private	Co. F, 1 Mass. Heavy Artillery	Hopkinton, Mass.
<i>Post 15, Boston.</i>				
William H. Moore	Feb. 20	Private	Co. K, 29 Mass. Infantry	Boston, Mass.
James M. Swain	Feb. 28	Private	Co. I, 29 Mass. Infantry	Lynn, Mass.
Benjamin F. Briggs	Nov. 27	Private	Co. H, 4 Mass. Heavy Artillery	Franklin County, Ill.
Dwight R. Nichols	July 13	Private	Co. D, 35 Mass. Infantry	Boston, Mass.
Thomas Timmons	Mar. 26 <sup>1</sup>	Private	Co. C, 10 Conn. Infantry	Bangor, Me.
Lewis Cass	— <sup>2</sup>	—	2 Conn. Battery	Charlestown, Mass.
<i>Post 16, Springfield.</i>				
Franklin Elwell	Dec. 26 <sup>1</sup>	—	Co. D, 27 Mass. Infantry	—
Norman F. Wheeler	Jan. 15	—	Co. F, 10 Mass. Infantry	—
Freeman L. Cobb	Dec. 19	—	Co. H, 37 Mass. Infantry	—
James J. Caffery	Dec. 26	—	Co. A, 37 Mass. Infantry	—
Passielo Emerson	Dec. 28	—	5 Mass. Battery	—
<i>Post 17, Orange.</i>				
Charles H. Mixer	Feb. 11	Private	Co. I, 3 Mass. Heavy Artillery	East Granby, Mass.
<i>Post 18, Ashland.</i>				
Willard Watkins	Mar. 7	Private	Co. K, 31 Mass. Infantry	—
<i>Post 19, Fitchburg.</i>				
Isaac N. Woolson	Feb. 17	Private	Co. H, Mass. Heavy Artillery	Milford, N. H.
Geo. L. Mitchell	Apr. 5	Musician	9 Mass. Unattached Co.	Haverhill, Mass.
Frank S. Balcom	Apr. 16	Private	Co. I, 53 Mass. Infantry	Ashburnham, Mass.
John W. Barrows	May 30	Private	Co. I, 2 Mass. Infantry	Richmond, N. H.
William W. Tanner	June 10	Private	Co. A, 51 Wis. Volunteers	Illinois.
Charles W. Whitney	July 2	Private	Co. A, 36 Mass. Infantry	Ashburnham, Mass.
Alfred Billings	July 25	Private	Co. D, 2 Mass. Volunteers	Reading, Mass.

Joel A. Hayward	.	.	.	.	.	.	Sept. 2	Private	.	.	.	.	Co. B, 53 Mass. Infantry	.	.	Ashby, Mass.	
Charles W. Hildreth	.	.	.	.	.	.	Dec. 4	Private	.	.	.	.	Co. B, 6 Mass. Infantry	.	.	Groton, Mass.	
<i>Post 22, Milford.</i>																	
Almon F. Cheney	.	.	.	.	.	.	Jan. 10	Private	.	.	.	.	Co. G, 5 Mass. Infantry	.	.	Milford, Mass.	
Theodore M. Perry	.	.	.	.	.	.	Apr. 24	Private	.	.	.	.	21 and 26 Unattached Co.	.	.	Swansea, Mass.	
Lucius E. Heath	.	.	.	.	.	.	Oct. 23	Master's Mate	.	.	.	.	U. S. Navy	.	.	East Douglas, Mass.	
Wilfred H. Chickering	.	.	.	.	.	.	Nov. 5	Private	.	.	.	.	Co. I, 61 Mass. Infantry	.	.	Worcester, Mass.	
<i>Post 24, Grafton.</i>																	
E. A. Howe	.	.	.	.	.	.	Nov. 30	Private	.	.	.	.	Co. A, 2 Mass. Heavy Artillery	.	.	Grafton, Mass.	
<i>Post 26, Roxbury.</i>																	
John Leonard	.	.	.	.	.	.	Mar. 7	—	—	—	—	U. S. Navy	.	.	—	—	
Charles Bently	.	.	.	.	.	.	Mar. 23	—	—	—	—	U. S. Navy	.	.	—	—	
George F. Moses	.	.	.	.	.	.	July 21	Private	.	.	.	.	Co. B, 39 Mass. Infantry	.	.	—	—
Frank H. Bell	.	.	.	.	.	.	Sept. 1	Private	.	.	.	.	Co. H, 19 Mass. Infantry	.	.	—	—
George D. Coburn	.	.	.	.	.	.	Sept. 14	Private	.	.	.	.	Co. G, 6 Mass. Infantry	.	.	—	—
Franklin Strong	.	.	.	.	.	.	Dec. 21	Private	.	.	.	.	Co. K, 57 Mass. Infantry	.	.	—	—
<i>Post 29, Waltham.</i>																	
William H. Bagley	.	.	.	.	.	.	Nov. 15	Private	.	.	.	.	Co. F, 31 Reg. Me. Infantry	.	.	Portland, Me.	
Charles E. Getchell	.	.	.	.	.	.	Apr. 27	Private	.	.	.	.	Co. A, 16 Reg. Me. Infantry	.	.	Durham, Me.	
<i>Post 30, Cambridge.</i>																	
James B. Powers	.	.	.	.	.	.	Jan. 27	Drummer	.	.	.	.	Co. A, 32 Mass. Infantry	.	.	Boston, Mass.	
Thomas Montgomery	.	.	.	.	.	.	Mar. 11	Private	.	.	.	.	14 Mass. Battery	.	.	Portland, Me.	
Nathaniel W. Bunker	.	.	.	.	.	.	Apr. 13	Private	.	.	.	.	Co. G, 44 Mass. Infantry	.	.	Cambridge, Mass.	
Jeremiah J. Gilman	.	.	.	.	.	.	Aug. 14	Private	.	.	.	.	Co. K, 48 Mass. Infantry	.	.	Boston, Mass.	
John McColley	.	.	.	.	.	.	Oct. 23	Private	.	.	.	.	Co. C, 20 Me. Infantry	.	.	St. George, N. B.	
Lincoln E. Wheeler	.	.	.	.	.	.	Dec. 14	Private	.	.	.	.	Co. E, 26 Mass. Infantry	.	.	Concord, Mass.	
<i>Post 31, Scituate.</i>																	
George S. DuBois	.	.	.	.	.	.	Jan. 7	Private	.	.	.	.	Co. I, 22 N. Y. Infantry	.	.	New York City.	
George D. Emerson	.	.	.	.	.	.	Mar. 28	Private	.	.	.	.	Co. F, 38 Mass. Infantry	.	.	Boston, Mass.	
<i>Post 32, South Boston.</i>																	
John Hurney	.	.	.	.	.	.	May 3	Seaman	.	.	.	.	U. S. Navy	.	.	Ireland.	
John Connors	.	.	.	.	.	.	June 14	Seaman	.	.	.	.	"Henry Hudson"	.	.	Ireland.	
John F. Healy	.	.	.	.	.	.	Dec. 15	Carpenter	.	.	.	.	U. S. Marine Corps	.	.	Boston, Mass.	
<i>Post 33, Waburn.</i>																	
Andrew R. Linscott	.	.	.	.	.	.	Feb. 25	Private	.	.	.	.	Co. K, 39 Mass. Infantry	.	.	Woburn, Mass.	
Richard Carton	.	.	.	.	.	.	Apr. 20	Private	.	.	.	.	Co. G, 5 Mass. Volunteers	.	.	Woburn, Mass.	
<i>Post 34, Salem.</i>																	
Wm. H. Manning	.	.	.	.	.	.	Jan. 26	Private	.	.	.	.	Co. M, 1 Mass. Heavy Artillery	.	.	Salem, Mass.	
Wm. Foss	.	.	.	.	.	.	Mar. 3	Sergeant	.	.	.	.	U. S. Navy	.	.	Dover, N. H.	
Almon Allard	.	.	.	.	.	.	Nov. 16	Sergeant	.	.	.	.	Co. D, 6 N. H. Infantry	.	.	Eaton, N. H.	
John Rolfe	.	.	.	.	.	.	July 11	Private	.	.	.	.	Co. D, 25 Me. Infantry	.	.	—	—
Henry A. Hale	.	.	.	.	.	.	Aug. 8	Captain	.	.	.	.	Co. J, 8 Mass. Infantry	.	.	—	—
	.	.	.	.	.	.		Colonel	.	.	.	.	19 Mass. Infantry	.	.	Salem, Mass.	

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NAME.	Date of Death.	Rank.	Regiment or Ship.	Place of Birth.
<i>Post 35, Chelsea.</i>				
John M. Tyler	Jan. 28	Sergeant	Co. I, 8 Mass. Infantry	Newfield, Me.
Edward P. Briggs	Feb. 23	Private	Co. H, 50 Mass. Infantry	Boston, Mass.
George W. P. Putnam	Feb. 25	Private	Co. C, 5 and 61 Mass. Infantry	Boston, Mass.
William Hallgren	Feb. 28	Private	Co. H, 1 Mass. Infantry	Upton, Mass.
Lynnan D. Mason	Mar. 27	Private	Co. A, 21 Mass. Infantry	Upton, Mass.
Moses J. Keller	July 31	Private	2d Me. Battery	Camden, Me.
Coleman Tilden	Oct. 6	Private	Co. H, 43 Mass. Infantry	Scituate, Mass.
<i>Post 36, Arlington.</i>				
Henry Bradley	May 27	Private Paymaster's Clerk	Co. H, 38 Mass. Infantry U. S. Navy "Katahdin"	Tisbury, Mass.
<i>Post 39, Lawrence.</i>				
Patrick Hogan	Feb. 2	Private	Co. C, 26 Mass. Infantry	Massachusetts.
Charles H. Littlefield	Apr. 9	Orderly Sergeant	Co. F, 48 Mass. Infantry	Massachusetts.
John Bird	May 28	Private	Seaman U. S. Navy	New Hampshire.
Charles W. Phelps	June 26	Private	Co. F, 4 Mass. Cavalry	New Hampshire.
<i>Post 40, Malden.</i>				
James W. Monroe	Feb. 2	Private	Co. C, 34 Mass. Infantry	Boston, Mass.
Gilman Page, Jr.	May 6	First Lieutenant	Co. L, 1 U. S. Volunteer Cavalry	—
Robert Jordan	Aug. 10	Private	Co. C, 24 Mass. Infantry	—
Charles A. North	Sept. 13	Sergeant	Co. A, 1 Me. Cavalry	—
Alvin G. Brown	Dec. 7	Private	Co. K, 39 Mass. Infantry	Westbrook, Me.
George E. Gay	Dec. 9	Private	Co. C, 1 N. H. Heavy Artillery	Reading, Mass.
<i>Post 42, Lowell.</i>				
Chester Goodwin	Feb. 10	Private	Co. B, 2 New Jersey Infantry	Maine.
Nicholas Ivory	Nov. 22	—	15 Battery, Mass. Light Artillery	—
Daniel Driscoll	Dec. 25	Seaman	U. S. Navy, U. S. S. "New Hampshire"	Ireland.
<i>Post 43, Marlborough.</i>				
Dorsethe Bernard	Sept. 8	Private	Co. B, 2 R. I. Cavalry	—
Frank Bean	Oct. 17	Sergeant	Co. I, 5 Mass. Infantry	—
<i>Post 45, Gloucester.</i>				
John T. Bickford	—	—	U. S. Navy, "Senapee", "Kearsarge"	—
William H. Cross	—	—	Co. C, 23 Mass. Infantry	—
William H. Jeffs	—	—	Co. G, 18 Mass. Infantry	—
George J. Hickman	—	—	Co. B, 56 Mass. Infantry	—
John Venance	—	—	U. S. S. "Colorado"	—
	—	—	Co. G, 3 Colorado Cavalry	—
<i>Post 46, Fall River.</i>				
Edward Higney	Feb. 11	Engineer	U. S. Navy	Scotland.
Wm. I. Mowry	Feb. 26	Private	Co. C, 2 Cavalry	Fall River, Mass.
Joseph Harrison	Apr. 21	Seigneur	Co. G, 26 Mass. Volunteers	England.
Edwin B. Ridge	Dec. 20	Private	Co. K, 44 Mass. Volunteers	Providence, R. I.



NAME.	Date of Death.	Rank.	Regiment or Ship.	Place of Birth.
<i>Post 63, Natick.</i>				
Wm. H. H. Clough	Feb. 19	Private	Co. I, 39 Mass. Infantry	Bristol, N. H.
Henry A. Dean	Mar. 18	Private	Co. A, 52 Mass. Infantry	Gill, Mass.
Daniel Green	Apr. 18	Corporal	Co. K, 23 Mass. Infantry	Ireland.
Samuel E. Hanson	Mar. 25	Private	Co. K, 1 N. H. Heavy Artillery	Ossipee, N. H.
<i>Post 66, Medford.</i>				
John J. Thornton	May 20	Private	Co. A, 36 Mass. Infantry	Taunton, Mass.
George A. DeLesdier	Aug. 15	Sailor	"Massasoit"	Maine.
Edgar A. Hall	Dec. 22	Private	Co. C, 4 N. H. Infantry	New Hampshire.
George K. Russell	May 15	Private	Co. C, 15 N. H. Infantry	Brentwood, N. H.
<i>Post 68, Dorchester.</i>				
George W. Estabrook	Mar. 10	Private	Co. A, 45 Mass. Infantry	England.
George Range	Oct. 23	Seaman	U. S. Navy	"
<i>Post 71, Holyoke.</i>				
James Gage	Jan. 16	Private	Co. B, 7 Conn. Infantry	Hadley, Mass.
Michael Kennedy	Jan. 22	Private	Co. B, 21 Mass. Infantry	Nova Scotia.
Samuel Ray	Apr. 6	Private	Co. A, 56 Mass. Infantry	"
John F. Stapleton	Nov. 20	Private	Co. C, 1 R. I. M. I.	Montreal, Can.
<i>Post 72, Sloughton.</i>				
Augustus Dame	Mar. 3	Acting Ensign	Navy "St. Lawrence"	Saco, Me.
Virgil A. Bird	Apr. 2	Private	Co. K, 18 Mass. Infantry	Stoughton, Mass.
George U. Pratt	Aug. 18	Private	Co. H, 43 Mass. Infantry	Chelsea, Mass.
Hiram Randall	Dec. 27	Private	Co. K, 18 Mass. Infantry	Easton, Mass.
<i>Post 74, Rockland.</i>				
John H. Harper	Dec. 26	Private	Co. G, 12 Mass. Infantry	Liverpool, Eng.
<i>Post 75, Stoneham.</i>				
Atwood Colby Souther	June 10	Corporal	1 Me. Cavalry	Levant, Me.
<i>Post 77, Holden.</i>				
A. D. Bascom	Oct. 31	Corporal	Co. B, 3 Mass. Battery	Holden, Mass.
<i>Post 78, Whitman.</i>				
Obed H. Ellis	Dec. 11	Private	Co. H, 29 Mass. Infantry	Nantucket, Mass.
<i>Post 80, Westborough.</i>				
Forrest R. Kingsbury	Oct. 18	Private	Co. K, 18 Mass. Infantry Co. G, 32 Mass. Infantry	Boston, Mass.





NAME.	Date of Death.	Rank.	Regiment or Ship.	Place of Birth.
<i>Post 110, Randolph.</i>				
John E. Allen	May 25	Private	Co. A, 12 Wisconsin Infantry	Smithsfield, Me.
F. Nelson Bigelow	Oct. 29	Private	Co. C, 60 Mass. Infantry	Randolph, Mass.
Alonzo Delano	Nov. 15	Private	Co. H, 23 Mass. Infantry	Randolph, Mass.
<i>Post 112, Norwell.</i>				
George A. Hatch	Sept. 5	Private	Co. F, 43 Mass. Infantry	Scituate, Mass.
<i>Post 113, Boston.</i>				
Orrin Bent	Jan. 17	Private	Co. D, 1 Me. Infantry	Washington, Me.
Eugene A. Holton	Mar. 22	Private	Co. C, 13 Mass. Infantry	Nashua, N. H.
Albion P. Pease	June 5	Private	Co. H, 5 Mass. Infantry	Parsonsfield, Me.
George L. Curtis	June 17	Private	Co. G, 43 Mass. Infantry	Abington, Mass.
Thomas F. Wentworth	June 25	Private	Co. B, 13 N. H. Infantry	Acton, Me.
George N. Julian	July 26	Private	Co. A, 22 Mass. Infantry	Exeter, N. H.
Benjamin S. Howe	Sept. 2	Private	Co. H, 22 Mass. Infantry	Boston, Mass.
Thomas R. Mathews	Oct. 3	Private	Co. K, 1 Mass. Infantry	Boston, Mass.
Charles L. Ridgway	Oct. 30	Private	7 Mass. Unattached Co.	Boston, Mass.
<i>Post 116, Gardner.</i>				
John Sherron	June 5	Private	Co. C, 2 U. S. Infantry	St. Johns, C. W.
Chas. H. Frost	Dec. 10	Private	Co. H, 2 Mass. Artillery	Chelsea, Mass.
<i>Post 118, Scamscott.</i>				
Daniel C. Beckett	Apr. 23	Corporal	Co. D, 1 Mass. Heavy Artillery	Salem, Mass.
Horace W. Wardwell	Dec. 29	Private Seaman	Co. H, 1 Mass. Heavy Artillery U. S. Navy	Andover, Mass.
<i>Post 120, Lowell.</i>				
Julius T. Adams	June 14	Private	Co. A, 6 Mass. Infantry	Anson, Me.
Benj. F. Pike	June 28	Private	Co. F, 16 Me. Infantry	Hollis, Me.
Edwin F. Smith	Aug. 24	Sergeant	Co. A, 14 Mass. Infantry	Ipswich, Mass.
George H. Nutting	Nov. 29	Private	Co. B, 6 Mass. Infantry	Lucenburg, Mass.
Lyman C. Prouty	Dec. 28	Private	Co. H, 4 Wis. Cavalry	Wisconsin.
<i>Post 122, Amesbury.</i>				
Orange S. Gordon	Feb. 22	Private	Co. F, 12 Mass. Infantry	-
<i>Post 123, Athol.</i>				
Henry D. Brock	Jan. 1	Private	Co. A, 25 Mass. Infantry	Athol, Mass.
Wm. H. Allen	Mar. 21	Private	Co. K, 21 Mass. Infantry	Barre, Mass.
<i>Post 128, Ipswich.</i>				
John A. Wheeler	Jan. 15	Private	Co. A, 15 Me. Infantry	Trescott, Me.
<i>Post 130, West Medway.</i>				
Justus C. Hitchcock	June 2	Private	Co. G, 11 Vt. Infantry	Westminster, Vt.

<i>Post 134, Boston.</i>	Samuel W. Washington . . . . .	June 17	Landsman . . . . .	U. S. S. "Nipsic" . . . . .	North Carolina, Virginia.
	Geo. C. Patterson . . . . .	July 16	Landsman . . . . .	U. S. S. "Cambridge" . . . . .	Boston, Mass.
	Charles Bradley . . . . .	Aug. 8	Landsman . . . . .	U. S. S. "Huron" . . . . .	Boston, Mass.
	Lewis Thompson . . . . .	Sept. 12	Private . . . . .	Co. C, 54 Mass. Infantry . . . . .	
<i>Post 138, West Acton.</i>					
	James R. Lawrence . . . . .	Feb. 16	First Sergeant . . . . .	Co. E, 56 Mass. Infantry . . . . .	Cambridge, Mass.
	William Chapin . . . . .	July 10	Corporal . . . . .	Co. E, 6 Mass. Infantry . . . . .	Acton, Mass.
<i>Post 139, Somerville.</i>					
	Charles C. Wemyss . . . . .	Feb. 24	— . . . .	Co. D, 5 Mass. Infantry . . . . .	— . . . .
	John M. Woods . . . . .	Apr. 10	— . . . .	Co. I, 13 N. H. Infantry . . . . .	Pelham, N. H.
	Edward E. Kelsey . . . . .	Sept. 19	— . . . .	Co. C, 7 Ohio Infantry . . . . .	— . . . .
	Charles O. Pratt . . . . .	Dec. 23	— . . . .	11 Mass. Battery . . . . .	— . . . .
<i>Post 140, Athol.</i>					
	C. J. Goddard . . . . .	Nov. 1	Private . . . . .	Co. E, 53 Mass. Infantry . . . . .	Royalston, Mass.
<i>Post 143, Brookline.</i>					
	Augustus S. Lovett . . . . .	May 30	Corporal . . . . .	Co. A, 45 Mass. Infantry . . . . .	— . . . .
	Castelly O. Norcross . . . . .	June 27	Corporal . . . . .	Co. G, 53 Mass. Infantry . . . . .	— . . . .
<i>Post 144, Dedham.</i>					
	John H. Nichols . . . . .	Mar. 23	Sergeant . . . . .	U. S. Signal Corps . . . . .	Dedham, Mass.
	Patrick Powderly . . . . .	Aug. 5	Private . . . . .	Co. D, 28 Mass. Infantry . . . . .	Ireland.
<i>Post 145, Attleboro.</i>					
	Edward E. Briggs . . . . .	Apr. 12	Private . . . . .	Co. H, 24 Mass. Volunteers . . . . .	Attleboro, Mass.
	John Hogan . . . . .	Mar. 2	Private . . . . .	Co. H, 18 Mass. Infantry . . . . .	Liverpool, Eng.
	Edward W. Rhodes . . . . .	July 3	Private . . . . .	Co. K, 3 Mass. Heavy Artillery . . . . .	Providence, R. I.
	Benjamin Fisk . . . . .	June 14	Private . . . . .	Co. C, 3 Mass. Volunteers . . . . .	Smithfield, R. I.
<i>Post 146, Lawrence.</i>					
	Alonzo L. Tappan . . . . .	Mar. 17	Orderly . . . . .	Co. B, 8 N. H. Infantry . . . . .	— . . . .
	Theophilus Coupe . . . . .	July 14	Musician . . . . .	Co. G, 30 Mass. Infantry . . . . .	— . . . .
	George N. Thissell . . . . .	July 29	Private . . . . .	Co. A, 6 Mass. Infantry . . . . .	— . . . .
	William L. Hobbs . . . . .	June 20	Private . . . . .	Co. I, 6 N. H. Infantry . . . . .	— . . . .
	Stephen B. Miller . . . . .	Nov. 1	— . . . .	U. S. Navy . . . . .	— . . . .
<i>Post 151, West Newbury.</i>					
	Lewis F. Morrill . . . . .	Oct. 30	Private . . . . .	17 Mass. Unattached Co. . . . .	West Newbury, Mass.
<i>Post 153, Winchendon.</i>					
	Fred M. Brown . . . . .	Jan. 9	Private . . . . .	Co. D, 36 Mass. Infantry . . . . .	Winchendon, Mass.
	Patrick Brabston . . . . .	May 2	Private . . . . .	Co. I, 21 Mass. Infantry . . . . .	Ireland.
	Charles M. Danforth . . . . .	Sept. 3	Private . . . . .	Co. H, 6 Mass. Infantry . . . . .	Lowell, Mass.
	Timothy Lewis . . . . .	Dec. 30	Private . . . . .	Co. G, 57 Mass. Infantry . . . . .	Gill, Mass.
<i>Post 160, West Brookfield.</i>					
	Win. H. Chapin . . . . .	Jan. 28	Private . . . . .	Co. B, 1 R. I. Light Artillery . . . . .	Crafton, Mass.
	Charles H. Wright . . . . .	Oct. 26	Private . . . . .	Co. D, 5 N. Y. Cavalry . . . . .	Delhi, N. Y.

NAME.	Date of Death.	Rank.	Regiment or Ship.	Place of Birth.
<i>Post 164, Conway.</i>				
Ira N. Hitchcock . . . . .	July 7	Private	Co. F, 34 Mass. Infantry . . . . .	Williamsburg, Mass.
<i>Post 165, Duxbury.</i>				
George H. Bailey . . . . .	May 12	Private	Co. I, 4 Mass. Infantry . . . . .	Duxbury, Mass.
<i>Post 168, Southbridge.</i>				
Francis L. Chapin . . . . .	Oct. 25	Sergeant	Co. F, 60 Mass. Infantry . . . . .	Enfield, Mass.
Samuel Young . . . . .	Dec. 18	Sergeant	Co. H, 28 Mass. Infantry . . . . .	Worcester, Mass.
<i>Post 169, Norwood.</i>				
Marcus M. Alden . . . . .	Jan. 1	Private	Co. D, 18 Mass. Infantry . . . . .	Lyme, N. H.
Chas. H. Shackley . . . . .	Oct. 4	Private	Co. D, 43 Mass. Infantry . . . . .	Canton, Mass.
<i>Post 170, Mansfield.</i>				
Vernon F. Grover . . . . .	Feb. 27	Corporal	Co. H, 7 Mass. Infantry . . . . .	Mansfield, Mass.
James B. Snow . . . . .	Mar. 2	Private	Co. I, 18 Mass. Infantry . . . . .	Fall River, Mass.
<i>Post 174, Greenfield.</i>				
Hart E. Mowrey . . . . .	Mar. 19	Private	Co. C, 27 Mass. Infantry . . . . .	—
Henry E. Bolton . . . . .	Mar. 24	Private	Co. D, 52 Mass. Infantry . . . . .	—
Myron L. Corbett . . . . .	May 21	Private	Co. K, 9 Vt. Infantry . . . . .	—
Nathan W. Smith . . . . .	May 21	Private	Co. H, 10 Mass. Infantry . . . . .	—
James A. Horton . . . . .	June 26	Private	Co. I, 5 Mass. Infantry . . . . .	—
James R. Long . . . . .	June 29	Private	Co. A, 52 Mass. Infantry . . . . .	—
<i>Post 179, Barre.</i>				
Benjamin F. Brooks . . . . .	July 5	Private	Co. D, 36 Mass. Infantry . . . . .	—
<i>Post 182, Somerset.</i>				
Thomas A. Francis . . . . .	Apr. 2	Private	18 Mass. Unattached Infantry . . . . .	Dighton, Mass.
Milton J. Brightman . . . . .	Feb. 28	Private	24 Mass. Unattached Infantry . . . . .	Fall River, Mass.
<i>Post 185, Lowell.</i>				
James E. Curtis . . . . .	Jan. 4	Private	Co. C, 22 Mass. Cavalry . . . . .	Dracut, Mass.
Wm. A. Arnold . . . . .	Mar. 8	Private	Co. I, 9 R. I. Volunteers . . . . .	Barrington, R. I.
Geo. E. Bryant . . . . .	Apr. 6	Musician	3 Reg. Vt. Volunteers . . . . .	Richmond, Vt.
Franklin S. Pevey . . . . .	May 19	Corporal	2 Brig., 2 Div., 6 Army Corps.	Peterboro, N. H.
Eugene N. Morrill . . . . .	June 11	Private	Co. G, 6 Mass. Infantry . . . . .	Lowell, Mass.
Coburn S. Smith . . . . .	July 11	Lieutenant.	Co. D, 24 Me. Infantry . . . . .	Rockland, Me.
<i>Post 188, Beverly Farms.</i>				
Timothy Higgins . . . . .	Jan. 15	Private	2 Mass. Unattached Infantry . . . . .	Wenham, Mass.
<i>Post 189, Marshfield.</i>				
Sylvanus Shedd . . . . .	Mar. 26	Private	Co. E, 18 Mass. Infantry . . . . .	Melford, Mass.



GEORGE W. PRATT  
DEPARTMENT COMMANDER  
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*Post 190, New Bedford.*

Charles E. Peirce	Feb. 10	Private	Co. E, 4 Mass. Infantry						
George L. Jennings	Apr. 17	Private	Unattached Co., Mass. Infantry						
Joseph Rock, Jr.	May 8	Private	1 N. Y. Engineers						
Albert H. Follock	May 22	Coxswain	Steamer "Fort Henry"						
Thomas W. Jackson	July 5	Sergeant	Co. G, 5 Mass. Cavalry						
Charles G. Allen	Aug. 7	Musician	Co. E, 3 Mass. Infantry						
Thomas C. Robbins	Oct. 15	Private	15 Unattached Co., Mass. Infantry						
			Co. E, 3 Mass. Infantry						
<i>Post 191, Boston.</i>									
Edward S. Sears	Jan. 27	Private	Co. I, 37 Mass. Infantry						Wrentham, Mass.
John J. Warden	Feb. 9	Private	Co. D, 5 Vt. Infantry						Williston, Vt.
Walter B. Whiting	Feb. 25	Corporal	Co. A, 39 Mass. Infantry						
Chas. A. Lindsay	Oct. 30	Private and Bugler	Co. E, 26 Frontier Cavalry						
Geo. Moore	Nov. 1	Private	Co. G, 2 Me. Cavalry						Milo, Me.
Samuel B. Read	-	Private	Co. I, 3 Mass. Heavy Artillery						Lowell, Mass.
			1 Unattached Co., Mass. Volunteers						Smithfield, R. I.
<i>Post 194, Reading.</i>									
George Carter	May 22	Private	Co. D, 50 Mass. Infantry						South Reading, Mass.
<i>Post 207, Nantucket.</i>									
Charles M. Crocker	Nov. 12	Private	Co. I, 20 Mass. Infantry						Nantucket, Mass.

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE ENCAMPMENT.**

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Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee: "I move you that a Committee on Commander's Address be appointed, and also on all other reports of Officers which are now in print."

Senior Vice-Commander: "You have heard the motion made that a committee be appointed on the Commander's Address, and also for the other Reports. Are you ready for the question? All in favor say Aye; contrary minded — It is a vote."

Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee: "The Commander has appointed the following Committees:

**COMMANDER'S ADDRESS.**

Alfred H. Knowles, P. D. C., Post 36; J. R. Sears, Post 174; Isaac D. Baker, Post 34.

**COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.**

W. A. Wetherbee, A. A. G.; Walter E. Swan, Post 68; George W. Green, Post 200; Helen A. Phinney, Clerk of Committee.

**COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.**

Henry N. Comey, P. D. C.; John A. Brackett, Post 146; George W. Corey, Post 168.

**COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.**

W. R. Bentley, Post 4; David Dunbar, Post 58; George M. Fiske, Post 62; Jason B. Hersey, Post 74; A. A. Buxton, Post 19."

**DELEGATES TO NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT.**

"And this is the most important Committee, and never more so than it is this year. Denver is a long way off, and it is going to be a fairly expensive trip; it will cost from \$125 to \$200 depending altogether on how you want to travel. The smaller sum means no sleeping-car, and that you stop in private homes; for \$200 you will have the accommodation of sleeping-cars and stop at hotels. I wish that the comrades would respond in order that we may know that you are all here."

*District No. 1.*

John Gilbert, Post 46; George N. Alden, Post 190; John W. Bean, Post 145.

*District No. 2.*

S. J. Wade, Post 13; Joshua S. Gray, Post 74; Bela Alden, Post 78.

*District No. 3.*

Bradford Hawes, Post 58; Prince Phinney, Post 143; Hiram S. Faunce, Post 110.

*District No. 4.*

J. F. Stoddard, Post 11; A. A. Nickerson, Post 35; W. A. Copeland, Post 26; Martin Feeney, Post 15.

*District No. 5.*

C. H. Brackett, Post 5; Isaac D. Baker, Post 34; Charles O. Kelly, Post 49; John A. Brackett, Post 146.

*District No. 6.*

F. J. O'Reilly, Post 56; C. L. Robinson, Post 4; Albert I. Gilman, Post 185; W. C. M. Howe, Post 194; Charles F. Stone, Post 139.

*District No. 7.*

O. P. Judkins, Post 10; O. P. Boss, Post 19; H. C. Warren, Post 80; George W. Corey, Post 168.

*District No. 8.*

E. S. Witherell, Post 16; W. H. Abbott, Post 71.

*District No. 9.*

W. R. Stocking, Post 209; J. R. Hamilton, Post 171; John R. Sears, Post 174.

## COMMITTEES OF GREETING.

Women's Relief Corps: George W. Wilder, P. D. C.; Alvin C. Howes, Post 8; George W. Corey, Post 168; Geo. A. Burgess, Post 76.

Ladies of the G. A. R.: Henry Clark, P. D. C.; Oliver P. Judkins, Post 10; A. A. Buxton, Post 19.

Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War: Wilfred A. Wetherbee, P. D. C.; Richard F. Boynton, Post 121; Nat C. Barry, Post 102.

Sons of Union Veterans: Edwin F. Morrill, P. D. C.; Leonard Boyd, Post 62; James McElroy, Post 110.

Sons of U. V. Auxiliary: Henry N. Comey, P. D. C.; John R. Sears, Post 174; Samuel J. Wade, Post 13.

Army Nurses: Horace Goodwin, P. D. C.; Benjamin A. Ham, P. D. C.

"The Commander appoints as Chairman of the Committee on Delegates Dr. John Gilbert, Medical Director.

"And now please take notice. As I have said, this is one of the most important committees we shall have in the Encampment today; please meet in the anteroom immediately after the adjournment of this session. In the General Order sent out I requested those who were going, to let us know, but I have heard from only eight or ten. Now, if there are any comrades here who have any idea of going to Denver, give your names to the Committee in your particular district, so that Comrades who are going can be elected and not a lot of names of Comrades to whom I shall have to write, then delay matters waiting for an answer, and find in the end that they are not going. Please have men who will go, if the Lord is willing, and if you want to go, see your Committee so that your names may be considered."

Commander: "You have heard read the names of the Committees, and I presume you know the program. Promptness in these matters will shorten the session considerably, and give us an opportunity to get through with most of our business today. The next in order will be the presentation of resolutions; has any Comrade any resolutions to offer?"

Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee: "I have one resolution, Commander. We have passed on it for two or three successive years, but we are asked to do so again. It is the resolution asking the Pension Office to grant \$36 instead of \$20 to blind or disabled children of veterans. I will read this resolution.

"WHEREAS, The operation of the present laws relative to the pensions of certain disabled children of veterans of the Civil War and the War with Spain is unjust and inconsistent in allowing \$36 a month to certain disabled children left fatherless prior to the age of sixteen years, and only \$20 a month to others equally disabled, left fatherless after the age of sixteen years, and

"WHEREAS, The present laws exclude from their benefits such children who became disabled after the age of sixteen years;

"THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Massachusetts Department, Grand Army of the Republic of the Civil War, in convention assembled at Boston on April 10 and 11, 1928, do hereby indorse (Bill) H. R. 11807 and Senate 3528, granting pensions to certain disabled children of veterans of the Civil War and the War with Spain, and

"BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the senators and representatives of Massachusetts in Congress, urging immediate and favorable action on these bills, and

"BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of these resolutions be submitted at the next National Convention of the Grand Army of the Republic of the Civil War at Denver.



"And this is referred to the Committee on Resolutions —"

Past Department Commander Ham: "I have in my hand a Resolution I wish to put before the convention. It is one probably well known to all the comrades. This resolution is —

We, the members of the G. A. R. in Encampment assembled, respectfully petition that House Bill 1084 be passed, and that a sufficient sum be appropriated at once to take care of the comrades and their wives, and the widows of deceased comrades, until such a building can be built where they can be cared for.

"I will say that there has been a Bill before the Massachusetts Legislature contemplating a building that will take some time to accomplish; but the latter clause contemplates asking the Committee on Ways and Means to at once make an appropriation for the purpose of caring for the comrades and their wives so that they will not be separated, but can be cared for where they can live together — also the widows that are in want (and there are many of them in this Commonwealth) can be taken care of by an appropriation made by the Ways and Means Committee. I will say, for the information of comrades, that a hearing will be held on the 17th of April before the Committee on Ways and Means, to the end of passing this Bill, and of making an appropriation for the purposes which I have indicated. And I will ask the convention to act on this motion."

Commander: "It will be necessary to suspend the rules in order to receive this motion."

(A motion is made and seconded to so do.)

"All in favor of suspending the rules in order to admit this motion at this time say Aye; all opposed. It is a vote. Are you ready for the question? All in favor manifest it by the usual sign. It is a unanimous vote."

Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee: "I have here another Resolution that has been handed to me.

"RESOLVED, That all rules now in use governing State Departments of the G. A. R. by the National Department be declared obsolete, and that each State Department shall control its own delegates to its State Convention, and shall make all laws for the government of its own Posts; and that the delegate to the National Encampment at Denver present this resolution to the Encampment.

"And I move that it be referred to the Committee on Resolutions."

Commander: "Has any comrade any other resolution to offer at this time?"

Comrade Webb: "Mr. Commander, during the last State Encampment a resolution was offered by Major Bean, commander of Post 145 of Attleboro, in regard to admitting comrades to the floor of the encampment as members. That motion was laid upon the table. Now I move you, sir, that that motion be taken from the table and acted upon."

Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee: "I second that motion." (The question is put and it is a vote.)

Commander: "That resolution is now before this Encampment, and what action will you take regarding it?"

Comrade Webb (presenting the resolution): "Be it Resolved, that hereafter all members of the Department of Massachusetts, Grand Army of the Republic, shall be members of the Department Encampment."

"I move, sir, the adoption of that Resolution."

Past Dept. Commander Alfred H. Knowles: "I second the motion."

Commander: "All in favor will say Aye. Those opposed, No. It is a unanimous vote."

"Is there any other unfinished business?"

Commander: "If there is no unfinished business we will proceed to the consideration of new business."

Comrade Robinson, Post 4: "Under the head of New Business, I rise to ask for information. I am Commander of Post 4 in Melrose, and in my Post we have comrades old and feeble, two over 90 years of age; one of them 92; and they attend every meeting of our Post but have to have some one to assist them there. One has

a daughter; the other one has either a son or somebody to come with him. We have no secret work now in our Post, and I ask whether or not the Comrade's daughter would be entitled to come into the Post meeting, and not have to sit out in the anteroom until the business of the Post is through? That is all, — just for information."

Commander: "Every office in a Post must be occupied by some comrade, but he can appoint a clerk from any of the patriotic organizations, though that clerk cannot serve on any committee, cannot sign any report, and cannot do any business except the clerical part of the work. If the occupant of an office is not able to sign, the clerk may sign with the name of the occupant by so-and-so, clerk, as I understand it; and such assistants may be admitted to the sessions of the Posts, but can take no part, other than to do clerical work."

Comrade Fairbanks, Post 80: "I would like to say a few words. That is the way we do in Westborough. There are just two comrades that can attend the meetings. Last Saturday we had a meeting of thirty people, 10 Relief Corps, 12 Sons of Veterans, and the rest Daughters of Veterans and the two Comrades, and we had one of the finest meetings. We take no countersign, but these other organizations help us to have a good time."

Past Dept. Commander Ham of Post 2: "I received a document from the Commander-in-Chief forbidding opening our doors, but I have adopted the method Comrade Knowles has. I let all that desire to come in to imbibe the same patriotic sentiments from the Post; but that is the reason why I drew that resolution to be presented to the National Encampment, if they have got any rules to send down to us. I believe that in other States there are the same conditions that we are experiencing, and they don't want the National Encampment to dominate the State Encampments anywhere."

Comrade Bradford Hawes, Post 58: "Our practice in Post 58 for the last few years has been to admit to the meetings of the Post any members of the allied organizations who see fit to come in. Of course this is taking a good deal of liberty with the rules of the order, and in order that this question may be settled once and for all, and that there may be no further doubt about it, I would favor a motion for that purpose."

Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee: "The Department of Massachusetts has up to the present time been loyal to the National administration. The National administration makes the rules. We pledge ourselves to obey them. At a meeting of one Encampment two or three years ago the matter was brought up as to whether we should admit the Daughters of Veterans to the Post meetings, and it was voted down. The Sons of Veterans is the only organization that has ever been admitted legally to the Posts.

"Now, this Resolution is all right if you can get it through the National, for then you can go ahead and have any sort of meeting you want; but you must remember this: "The Posts, according to the Rules and Regulations, are supposed to go out of existence when they get down to five members, but the Departments have not carried that out either here or elsewhere; and it has been the rule in the Departments to allow comrades to hold their membership in the Grand Army as long as there is one comrade left. We have in this Department today four or five Posts with only one member in it; we have eleven or twelve with only two members; we have nine, I think it is, with three members; we have ten with four members; and eight or nine with five comrades. We have only twenty-six Posts in the whole Department that have twenty members or more.

"Now, if these Posts are admitting all these outsiders, not members of the Sons of Veterans or the Grand Army, they are violating the Rules and Regulations."

Past Dept. Commander Ham: "I would like to ask Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee a question."

Comrade Wetherbee: "I will try to answer it. Don't think, Comrades, that I am going to oppose this motion for I am not; but I want to call your attention to these things which you probably did not realize."

Comrade Ham: "I wanted to ask if the Post retains its charter when it has one member, — and if that wasn't violating the Rules and Regulations?"



Comrade Wetherbee: "Yes, it does."

Comrade Ham: "Then if our good people at Headquarters can throw aside the Rules, I don't see why the Posts cannot."

Comrade Wetherbee: "That is simply held by the Comrade; it is not taking in the citizens of the town. And I am not talking against this Resolution; but we are creatures of the National Encampment, and chartered by them to do certain things, and prohibit certain things that they say we shall not do. Your delegates are a part of the National Encampment, and they are supposed to know what the Department wants. The majority rules in every kind of an organization. If this Resolution should not pass in the National Encampment — I want it to go there, but think I can see why it will come back very soon; and if it doesn't pass, and you keep on doing what you are doing, you will find that the Department of Massachusetts would not be in existence, and the Posts of the Department would go out of existence."

"There is such a thing as law in this Department as everywhere else, and every Commander promises to obey the lawful orders of his superior officers, and to exact obedience of others thereto. Now, we want to go into this thing with our eyes open, and if it goes to the National Encampment, well and good; but as long as the National Encampment says we are not to let them in we want to obey the rules — obey the organization that gives us the right to live!"

Comrade Ham: "Another question. If a Post meets without going through any of the ritual, whether or not it would be legal to admit anybody into the room?"

Comrade Wetherbee: "Then the Post has given up its charter. It has been the rule of the Grand Army that it should not be perpetuated when the last man is gone — it is a matter of history then. We don't want to leave it in the hands of outsiders to run and make it a matter of politics."

Comrade Lincoln, Post 125: "I would make the motion that the Resolution be sent to the National Organization."

Comrade Wetherbee: "It has been read and ordered to be committed to the Committee on Resolutions for their action."

Comrade Flynn of Post 26: "I am going to say that I think our Assistant Adjutant-General is right in the decision made here in regard to the Rules and Regulations of the Grand Army of the Republic. I and my Post have overstepped those rules; I have admitted people into our meetings, but it was not a regular meeting; we made it a social affair, and that is all we can do without breaking the rules of the Grand Army; that is, to invite these Auxiliaries in as a social matter. I understand it that way, and I believe that Comrade Wetherbee is perfectly right in what he says when upholding the rules of the Grand Army."

Comrade Sears of Post 174: "I would like to say a few words. I want to say that in Greenfield the Commander of our Post eight years ago formed 12 organizations into one, calling it "Patriotic Organizations." He did that unbeknown to the Post members, thinking that each and every organization would associate with the Grand Army and give to the Grand Army of the Republic what belonged to it. He didn't make it in his rules and regulations that the Grand Army should 'carry on' Memorial Day by themselves, and invite these people in, or anything of the sort."

"Three years ago I made objection to it, because the other organizations — the president of that body called the "Patriotic Organizations" made the rules and regulations for Memorial Day, which I knew was wrong — but what could we do? They had the majority in the vote, and the commander who drew up those rules and regulations was in the Post, and the commander of the Sons of Union Veterans was in there, and I also was there — and I want to say that the language that those other organizations used was ridiculous. They abused the commander to the Sons of Veterans, and they did not get up to respond, and I finally took the floor for the two, but I could not make them understand that they should give the Grand Army the right to Memorial Day."

"The next year I was made president of that organization, and I had the senior vice-commander of the Department of Massachusetts with me, and they went down to the armory and brought up their military and such-like, and I was notified that they would not form in line in proper shape. I told the Senior-Vice I thought they

were going to open ranks and let us go to the front. It seemed to them that the Grand Army should be in the rear and not the front.

"The Senior-Vice Commander went down to the marshal thinking he should do — as he should do; then he came back and said nothing, but they opened ranks and we went to the front and then to the hall. Before I could get my men to the carriage they were way up to the Mansion House.

"Well, now, I made it my business this year to find out whether those Patriotic Organizations could be recognized by the town of Greenfield, to make an appropriation for them and I found that they could not. Not being a voter in the town I secured a lawyer to speak for me."

A Comrade: "I rise to ask for information. Is there a question before the house at the present time?"

Another Comrade: "I submit that we are discussing that Resolution which has been sent to the Committee on Resolutions, and therefore we cannot properly discuss that now."

Commander: "I have allowed this discussion to go on because there did not seem to be anything to occupy the time. But I desire to say that all this discussion has been entirely out of order; though, as long as no objection was made, it has been permitted to go on. This Comrade, however, was not discussing that Resolution; he was discussing something relative to Memorial Day, and if the comrades do not object we will allow him to proceed. I don't think we have anything very urgent to take up our time, and if no one objects the comrade may continue his discussion on the Memorial Day matter."

Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee: This comrade is talking on the question under the head of New Business, and he is giving his views as to the formation of the parade on Memorial Day.

Comrade Sears (continuing): "So I went before the Defense Committee and found that there was no appropriation made for the Grand Army, but there was for this "Patriotic" society, and knowing that they could not make an appropriation for them I fought the battle. This organization was for the purpose of throwing our Sons out of the line of march; they didn't want to march before or behind, or have them in the ranks, and I have been fighting for having in the ranks veterans of the Civil War and Sons of Veterans of the Civil War who are our heirs — they are our escort — they are not an armed body of men, they are our escort; and I invited them as a Comrade of the Grand Army to cooperate with us on Memorial Day. For two years I have done everything in my power to make it pleasant, and every year they do less. In order to do that I had the voters of Greenfield vote that appropriation down, — which they did. Then I asked for an appropriation for the Grand Army, which was given fifty dollars more than we asked for — with a cheer. I told the people of Greenfield something they never knew in their lives before; they supposed the town could vote money away as it minded to, and found that it could not. So I asked the town counsel to let the voters of Greenfield know whether they could vote this money or not, and he told them that no money could be expended on that day except for the Grand Army of the Republic. If you don't stick to your sons who is going to?" (Applause.)

Comrade Gay of Post 195: "Rising for information — sometime ago I think we had a committee appointed to look after the pensions of comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic; in other words, of the Boys who fought through '61 to '65 and wore the Blue, and who were supposed to come home with an honorable discharge. I understand — and I think correctly — that that committee chosen to represent the Boys of the Grand Army of the Republic went to Washington and conferred with the dignitaries there whose province it was to listen to discussions along that line; and they said this, — that they were sure that the majority of the Boys in Blue were not in favor of the pension of \$72 a month; that they were not in favor of the widows' having their pension increased from \$30 to \$50; they thought the Government had been generous enough.

"Now, I am rising for information. I would like to know if the majority of the Boys in this hall have ever sanctioned any such ideas?"

Senior Vice-Commander Foster of Post 10: "On this last subject I would say



that I have been on the Resolution Committee for several years. I introduced the same Bill that is now called the 'Morgan Bill' in our committee to get it through. We discussed that question for an hour or more, and finally they decided. And you know that it is unfortunate sometimes that the majority of a committee controls — and it happened to be in this case, where it proved that they did control. As a result of it a compromise was made, — to ask no increase for the Veterans but to ask for the widows only \$50 a month, and that was reported by a favorable majority of the Committee on Resolutions.

"But that would have had, possibly, no great weight with the people in Washington had it not been for the fact — and I am sorry to have to tell you — that there are those who go to our national convention who are opposed to increasing pensions.

"Well, you didn't hear of anyone who was in favor of the Morgan Bill — that was appointed on the commander-in-chief's commission that went to Washington to talk on the subject, did you? No. It was the same old fellows who have been there every year, and they have been opposed to pensions.

"So I say to you today that I believe that this question of pensions — I wish I could feel just exactly as Ex-Senator Benz did when he wrote me a letter stating that he believed the Bill would go through. But I don't feel that way. I feel if they could get a vote on it, it would be unanimous.

"I have talked and said some cruel things — some people think — in favor of the widows and the comrades for the increase of their pensions. They may feel I have talked too plainly. We have simply got to accept the situation and make the best of what will come, and then pray to God that He will give some statesmen in the future not afraid to go there and act for their constituents, instead of planning things for their own re-election."

Comrade Otis A. Merrill, Post 195: "I would like to say a word on the pension question. I think it is best to try something we can get through, and I think it would be hard to get a bill through to give us old soldiers anything. But take my own condition — I don't know whether the comrades are interested or not — but my wife is nine years younger than I am, and she furnished two soldiers for the late war, and they did their duty in it. Now, if she lives to be as old as I am she has got nine years more to live, and she will get an increase of \$20; whereas I will get an increase only for perhaps two or three years, because I am almost 84 years old. And I shall get only \$7 increase, and I would rather my wife would have the \$20 increase to take care of her the next ten or twelve years than for me to get the \$7.

"That is why I don't object to the present bill; let it go through and bring about the increase for our wives; then we will vote for a \$7 increase for the rest of our lives."

Commander: "Has any Comrade any new business to offer?"

Another Comrade: "I like Commander Merrill's ideas first-rate. If there is any one to get this pension, let the widows have it; that is all right; but in the name of God — this great American nation of ours that can give all these big men that represent us — from the supreme judges down to the lowest man — raise their salaries — give Congressmen and Senators their salaries, — are those bills ever pigeon-holed? Do they have discussions in the House, and then close the session and leave the Bills in the pigeon-holes?"

Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee: "I move that we do adjourn until 2 o'clock." (And it is so voted.)

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## 2 P.M. TUESDAY, APRIL 10, 1928.

Commander: "Now, Comrades, if you will come to order. Officer-of-the-Day, you will close the doors, and, Comrades, the representative of the Commander-in-Chief is in the anteroom, and I will appoint Past Commanders Comey, Morrill, and Wilder to retire and escort the Representative and his staff to this Encampment."

Officer-of-the-Day: "The Representative of the Commander-in-Chief and escort."

Past Dept. Commander Comey: "Commander, I have not only the honor but

the greatest pleasure of introducing to you, Past Commander-in-Chief Dr. Lewis C. Pilcher, who is here to represent our Commander-in-Chief."

Commander: "We welcome you here, Dr. Pilcher, to this historic hall, and are glad that you are able to visit us in the old Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Our Comrades are all glad to see you again, and hope you will enjoy your stay in Boston very much."

Past Dept. Commander Wilder: "I have the pleasure of introducing Charles W. Parker, the Commandant at the Soldiers Home."

Commander: "Comrades, I want to present to you the representative of our Commander-in-Chief, Comrade Pilcher, who will now address you." (Applause.)

Past Commander-in-Chief Pilcher: "Mr. Commander and Comrades of the Department of Massachusetts, — it is six years since, as Commander-in-Chief, I had the pleasure of standing here and looking into your faces. I cannot say that during those years there has been very much change; there are just as many here, and you all have lost just as much hair, and what was left was just as white as it could be then — and it is the same today.

"Comrades, I congratulate you that the passage of time has dealt so lightly with you, and that Massachusetts is still blessed with the presence of so many of the veterans of the Civil War in its midst. I wish, indeed, that our Commander-in-Chief Hawk could be here to enjoy the sensations of this moment, — the pleasure and the privilege — the elevation of spirit which attends such a moment as this.

"During the years that have passed since that time in April when you were here together how much of history has been made; and yet all of that history, sixty years and more since you began to make it, six years and more since we were together here, — all that history has its foundation from the work which those Boys — and they were boys — the work which those Boys did in those fateful years of '61 to '65.

"And we are still here. The weight of years is indeed heavier than it was six years ago; although to look upon your faces one would hardly imagine it. And yet I know as a man that these six years, which have taken you now well into the 80's, are years of heaviness and of increasing disability. And yet — and yet — of increasing power and enjoyment in the thoughts not only of what is past but in the thought that in a short time — it will only be — before all these limitations of the flesh shall be worn away, and we shall enter into our final reward.

"I bring you today the greetings of your Commander-in-Chief. It is a source of great regret to him that he cannot be with you, but you know the conditions that are present. In a very short time — indeed within a month — it is his plan to come to the East and to spend the remaining months of his administration among his comrades; but up to the present time he is tied down to his duties and responsibilities on the Pacific Coast. But he has asked me to come here and speak to you in his stead. I can but offer to you his congratulations and express his interest in your welfare.

"I congratulate the Commonwealth of Massachusetts that it is possible in its capital city and in its most historic hall to assemble so many Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic. Shall Massachusetts continue to lead as it has in the past? In answer to that I can but quote the motto of the State in which I had my own birth, — Michigan; and its motto is in Latin, which, being translated into English, is, — 'If you seek a beautiful peninsula, look around you!' I would alter that a little, — If you seek the men who have done the world's work in the past, and upon whom you can depend to do it, as upon the 'salt of the earth,' look around you!

"I have but little to add at the present moment; I presume there are matters which will come up from time to time during your work here which may call for some information from National Headquarters; and should such be so, I shall be glad to give you what I may be able in the way of information. Meanwhile I beg the privilege of enjoying with you all the opportunities, all the privileges, and all the pleasures of your annual Encampment.

"Comrades, I salute you!" (Applause.)

Commander: "Comrades, I now want to present to you a Comrade who is known to a good many of you; but I hasten to remark that I hope none of you will ever have occasion to make a more intimate acquaintance with him. However, if



you do, I assure you that he will look after your welfare and comfort as the Commandant of the Soldiers Home over in Chelsea. I present to you Colonel Parker."

Commandant Parker: "Commander-in-Chief and Officers of this Encampment, I feel as I stand here that with all my service in the Home, and my connection with the Sons of Veterans, that I can call by name at least 75 per cent of you.

"Many of you Comrades have passed within the portals of the Home in Chelsea since I entered there in 1910. I can well remember my first going there, and its only having a membership of 15 Spanish War veterans outside of the 476 members that were in the Home. And when you realize that at that time there were 466 Civil War veterans in that Home, and as I look around today can only count up 105, you can understand how I have seen the situation change as indicated today.

"The turning-point has come. The Spanish War veterans are beginning to increase in the membership; they are growing older. World War veterans are still coming, but this morning it was remarkable to notice as I checked up on the reports that on June 30th of last year we had 105 Civil War veterans, and this morning we had 105; and checking back further than that I found we had 35 readmissions and 35 total discharges and deaths. So that in spite of increased age and infirmities the Civil War veterans are making a grand fight to keep up the fighting line at the Home.

"I want you to know, Comrades, that I appreciate the kindly words of your Department Commander, and I certainly want to show you all that as long as I remain there you will have my earnest and loyal support."

Commander: "I now present Comrade George A. Hosley, Chief of Staff, who has for many years escorted the Commander-in-Chief to this Encampment."

Comrade Hosley: "I make my acknowledgments to your Commander, and my greetings to the Comrades, and will not speak at this time more than to make an announcement."

Commander: "We are now proceeding under the item of New Business, and the Chair awaits your pleasure. However, I would suggest that sometime during this Encampment we have to elect some officers for the ensuing year."

Past Dept. Commander Knowles: "I move you that we proceed to the election of officers for the ensuing year."

Comrade Rupert Chute: "I second that motion."

Commander: "Comrades, it is moved that we now proceed to the election of officers. Are you ready for the question? It is so voted.

"The first officer to be elected will be the Commander. Prepare your ballots."

Past Dept. Commander Knowles: "I move, sir, that the Assistant Adjutant-General be empowered to cast one ballot for Department Commander bearing the name of our present Senior Vice-Commander Edwin J. Foster of Post 10 of Worcester."

(The question is put eliciting a unanimous vote in the affirmative.)

Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee: "In accordance with the vote of the Encampment I deposit this ballot bearing the name of Comrade Edwin J. Foster for Department Commander for the ensuing year."

Commander: "Comrades, I desire to present Commander-elect Edwin J. Foster of Post 10 of Worcester." (Applause.)

Commander-elect Foster: "You know, Comrades, there are times in our lives when it seems as though words are inadequate to express the feelings of the heart. Such is my condition at the present moment; I wish that I could say to you that I would make as good a Commander as the one it has been my pleasure to serve under during the past year, or that I could visualize those who have gone on before, — splendid Comrades — capable in every sense of the word, and who filled their positions with great honor.

"I cannot make you those promises, but I say to you comrades that I am going to do the best I can; I am going to give you the best that is within me; I am going to work for the interests of the Comrades and the old widows — I am going to fight for them. I was sorry, when the representative of our Commander-in-Chief was here that he did not say something on that subject.

"But we are here today together, and I hope to meet all of you during the

coming year; and assure you that I fully appreciate the great honor you have conferred upon me today, and that I only hope I may succeed in filling the bill. I thank you." (Applause.)

Commander: "The next office to be filled is that of Senior Vice-Commander."

A Comrade: "I move that the Assistant Adjutant-General cast one ballot bearing the name of James H. Webb of Post 88 of Quincy for the office of Senior Vice-Commander."

Commander: "You have heard the motion just made; it being moved and seconded that Comrade James H. Webb be elected as Senior-Vice, and that one ballot be deposited bearing his name by the Assistant Adjutant-General." (It is so voted.)

Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee: "In accordance with the vote of the Encampment I hereby deposit this ballot bearing the name of James H. Webb for Senior Vice-Commander of this Department for the ensuing year."

Commander: "By your vote you have elected Comrade James H. Webb of Post 88 of Quincy as Senior Vice-Commander for the ensuing year; and I have the pleasure of presenting to you Comrade Webb." (Applause.)

Senior Vice-Commander-elect Webb: "Commander and Comrades, our Commander-elect has told the whole story; he has promised you that he will give you the best that in him lies, and I can only say the same. Comrades, I fully appreciate this honor because I was nothing but a 'shell-back' during the War, and I shall try my best to follow in the footsteps of my distinguished predecessors in the office. I thank you." (Applause.)

Commander: "The next officer to be elected is the Junior Vice-Commander."

Past Dept. Commander Wilder: "I move you, sir, that the Assistant Adjutant-General cast one ballot bearing the name of Alvin C. Howes of Post 8 of Middleborough for Junior Vice-Commander for the ensuing year. This motion is duly seconded, and it is so voted."

Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee: "In accordance with the vote of the Encampment I deposit one ballot bearing the name of Alvin C. Howes for the office of Junior Vice-commander for the ensuing year."

Commander: "By your votes you have elected Comrade Alvin C. Howes of Post 8 of Middleborough as your Junior Vice-Commander for 1928-29. Comrade Howes, are you here?" —

Junior Vice-Commander-elect Howes: "Commander, I am here."

Commander: "Comrades I present to you Comrade Howes who has just been elected your Junior-Vice for the coming year."

Comrade Howes: "Boys, look me over — while I pledge you to do the very best I can in your service. I thank you all."

Commander: "Next we have to elect a Medical Director."

Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee: "I would nominate the present incumbent to the office, — Dr. John Gilbert of Post 46, Fall River."

(This motion is seconded; also that nominations be closed, whereupon the Assistant Adjutant-General is authorized to cast one ballot for the nominee.)

"In accordance with the vote of the Encampment I hereby deposit one ballot bearing the name of Comrade John Gilbert for the office of Medical Director."

Commander: "By your vote you have elected a Medical Director for the ensuing year. Comrade Gilbert."

Dr. John Gilbert: "Comrades, all I can say is that I thank you very much for this honor, and as in the past I shall try to do in the future the best that I can in your service." (Applause.)

Commander: "The next office is that of Chaplain."

Comrade Rupert Chute, Post 60: "It has been my privilege to put in nomination the present incumbent four times, and again I nominate Comrade George W. Nead of Post 169. I have looked up and down the Department with diligence, and I know there is no one whom I want — or you want — more than Comrade Nead."

Commander: "You hear the nomination of Comrade George W. Nead of Norwood for the office of Chaplain of this Department for the ensuing year; are there any other nominations?"



(There being none, nominations are closed, and the Assistant Adjutant-General is empowered to cast one ballot bearing the name of the nominee.)

Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee: "Accordingly I deposit one vote for the Rev. George W. Nead of Post 169 of Norwood for the position of Chaplain of this Encampment for the ensuing year."

Commander: "By your votes you have elected Comrade Nead as Chaplain, and I so declare it. Chaplain-elect Nead."

Comrade Nead: "Commander and Comrades, I greatly appreciate this continued honor that you have conferred upon me by this re-election as chaplain. I think this is the fifth time, and you certainly deserve a good deal of credit for your patience with my kind of service. But I can assure you that as long as I retain my youthfulness and my strength — you shall have the benefit thereof all together with my prayers; for —

'My heart is light and full of cheer;  
The forward look is bright and clear.'

"So, Comrades, we will keep step together as long as you want it, even if it is for a life's service. I thank you!" (Applause.)

Commander: "Now is the committee chosen to select members for the Council of Administration ready to report?"

Chairman Bentley of Post 4: "Commander, we are, and the following is our selection and nomination: Charles L. Robinson of Post 4; Leonard Boyd of Post 62; Henri Batchelder of Post 156; Frederick H. Bishop of Post 88; and Joshua S. Gray of Post 74."

(It is moved that the Assistant Adjutant-General cast one ballot bearing the foregoing names.)

Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee: "Pursuant to your vote I hereby deposit one ballot bearing the names nominated for Council of Administration, who are the Comrades you are to elect for the ensuing year."

Commander: "Your vote has been cast for the next Council of Administration as indicated, and I so declare it.

"Is the committee appointed to nominate delegates to the National Encampment ready to report?"

Comrade Wade, Post 13: "District 2 is ready to report and recommends Comrade Joshua S. Gray of Post 74, Rockland, as a delegate to the National Encampment, and he says he will attend."

Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee: "I have a report here in my hands of that committee, — delegate-at-large, Waldo Turner; alternate-at-large, Frederick H. Bishop.

*District 2:* Edward Hague, and Dr. John Gilbert.

*District 4:* James F. Flynn of Post 26, David King of Post 15, George L. Hall of Post 2 delegates. A. A. Nickerson of Post 35 as alternate.

*District 5:* Delegates — Albert Munsey of Post 5; John A. Brackett, 146; Charles F. Peel, 49. Alternates — James Morgan, 39; Charles W. Smith, 49."

Officer-of-the-Day: "I move that the matter be referred to and left with the Assistant Adjutant-General to fill all vacancies in the delegation." (This motion is seconded.)

Commander: "It is moved and seconded as you have heard."

*District 6:* Dudley L. Page, 42; Orrin Stone, 40; Francis J. O'Reilly, 56; and two more besides. Andrew McGinnis, 56; and George A. Gay, 195. Alternates — Albert I. Gilman, 185; A. Otis Chamberlain, 30; Thomas Crowley, 42.

*District 7:* Delegates — Geo. W. Corey, 68; John W. Fairbanks, 80. Alternates — A. A. Buxton, 19; O. P. Judkins, 10.

*District 8:* Edwin S. Witherell, 16; William H. Abbott, of Post 71.

*District 9:* James R. Hamilton, 179; John R. Sears, 174."

Comrade Crane of Post 193: "I move that the report of this Committee be referred back to the committee, to be reported complete tomorrow morning." (Not seconded.)

Comrade Flynn, Post 26: "Let us get over the difficulty the easiest way we can.

I move that the report be accepted with the necessary corrections and insertions that may be made by the Assistant Adjutant-General." (This motion is seconded.)

Commander: "It is moved and seconded that this report be accepted, and if there are any corrections to be made that the Assistant Adjutant-General be authorized to make the same.

"Comrades, are you ready for the question, — that this report be accepted." (It is a vote.)

Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee: "I would like to ask if you have the slightest idea of going to Denver? If you haven't, let me know so that I can cross off names and put somebody on that will go. I sent out a General Order asking for names, and these said they were willing to go, — Comrades Barry, Flynn, King, Hawes."

Comrade Gay: "You have my name on District 6. If the Lord spares my life I shall be with you in Denver."

Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee: "District 5. — I know Comrades Brackett and Peel are going. (A comrade says that Comrade Munsey is going.) Other Comrades who intend to go are, — Page of Lowell, O'Reilly, Batchelder, Corey and Fairbanks. I don't know that Witherell of Springfield is going; and Comrade Hamilton I know is going." (A comrade explains that Comrade Witherell was not well enough to attend this Encampment.)

Comrade Batchelder: "I think it is very doubtful if I go to Denver, and suggest that you put Comrade Robinson of Post 4 in my place."

Commander: "That completes the election of officers."

Comrade Hamilton, Post 171: "I move that the Commander and the Assistant Adjutant-General be authorized to fill any vacancies in this list that has been made."

Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee: "That is not necessary. Now, I would like to get the sense of the boys who are going to Denver as to whether you want a band or a drum corps this year."

Comrade Flynn: "My annual motion is in order, I suppose. I move that the Assistant Adjutant-General procure music for the parade at Denver." (The question is put and it is so voted.)

Comrade Flynn: "Last year we made a grand appearance with a drum corps. I was always in favor of a band, but last year was perfectly satisfied with the drum corps, and know that all the delegates felt as I did with reference to the music. Let the Assistant Adjutant-General use his own judgment."

Past Dept. Commander Comey: "I am much pleased that Comrade Flynn has come to my views with reference to a drum corps, and I second his remarks."

Past Dept. Commander Knowles: "Mr. Commander, your committee on Commander's Address is ready to make its report at any time you want it."

Commander: "Some Comrade told me before the noon recess that he desired to introduce a resolution; and if he is here and desires to present it now, under the head of New Business we will receive it."

Comrade Stoddard of Post 62: "That Resolution is in the hands of the Committee on Resolutions at the present time; they have reported favorably on it, and I will ask them to read it."

Past Dept. Commander Knowles: "Your committee appointed to consider the Commander's Address recommends the adoption of every item in the same, namely, that the sum of \$1,200 be appropriated for the salary of the Assistant Adjutant-General; that the sum of \$600 be appropriated for the salary of the Headquarters clerk; that the sum of \$500 be appropriated to defray the traveling expenses of the Department Commander, and of such other officers as he may detail, to attend County Associations and other functions at which it may be desirable that the Department should be officially represented; that a sufficient sum be appropriated to maintain Department Headquarters, and to defray the expenses of the Department Commander and of the Assistant Adjutant-General at the next National Encampment; and that a committee of five members be chosen to formulate some plan of disposing of Department property after it shall cease to exist, and report at the next Department Encampment.

"Your Committee desires to compliment retiring Commander Henry A. Monk

for the faithful manner in which at all times he has attended to the business of the Department, which was full and complete in every way. Your committee, — A. H. Knowles, John R. Sears, Isaac D. Baker.

"In regard to the recommendation that five members be chosen to formulate some plan of disposing of Department property, etc., we recommend that this be left to the incoming administration."

Commander-elect Foster: "Comrades, you have heard the report of your Committee on Commander's Address, do you wish to take a vote on this as a whole or on the items? What are your wishes?" (It is moved and seconded that it be accepted as a whole, and it is so voted — a unanimous vote.)

A Comrade: "I would like to ask if our delegates are instructed when they go to the National Encampment, or do they go uninstructed? If the latter I would move that they be instructed to bring the next annual Encampment this way, — either to Washington or some place this way."

Commander: "The motion is that delegates to the National Encampment be instructed to use their efforts to secure the next National Encampment after the one at Denver in some of the eastern sections somewhere."

Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee: "It will depend altogether on where the invitation comes from; if there are no invitations from the East, and there are from the West, we shall probably go there; we shall go where we are invited."

Commander: "If we have any invitation from an eastern city, it is moved that the delegates be instructed to use their efforts to bring the Encampment this way."

Commander-elect Foster: "I hope you will all vote in favor of this motion, for I am going to try to get them to come to Worcester. We sent them an invitation last year, but it wasn't properly backed up. This time I am going to see that the citizens understand it, and hope to get it through."

(The question is put, and it is a unanimous vote.)

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

Total number present (morning session)	264
Total number present (afternoon session)	227
Department Officers	15
Past Department Commanders	7
Post Commanders	53
Past Post Commanders	64
Post Senior Vice-Commanders	40
Post Junior Vice-Commanders	27
Delegates	58

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Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee (after explaining about the Banquet): "I desire to say a word also about our Governor Andrew Home; and when I say 'our' I mean all of you. The Home over in Newtonville is doing splendid work, and I hope the Posts will feel they can and will help us along as you have been doing; and I assure you that you are making 18 to 20 widows of comrades mighty happy, that they can stay there in that Home together and enjoy — some of them — a better home than they ever had.

"The resolution introduced here and accepted will be a good thing, and after it passes the State Legislature we shall ask that body to relieve us of that work, and they undoubtedly will. But that has not been passed yet, and I don't believe in counting chickens before they are hatched. So if the Posts feel they want to do anything for the Home, why, send the money to us at Headquarters and you will get a receipt for it, and I can assure you that your money will be wisely expended; for nobody will get a cent of it except for the legitimate running expenses of the institution."

(The speaker then gave a full explanation of the Denver trip, describing graphically the beauties of the scenery, as well as all the traveling details of the excursion.)

Commander: "Are you ready for the report of the Committee on Resolutions?"

Past Dept. Commander Comey: "Commander and Comrades, your committee



begs leave to make this report of their decisions and recommendations: On House Bill 11807, submitted by Representative Dallinger, which calls for the granting of a pension to certain disabled children of veterans of the Civil War and the War with Spain."

(Comrade Comey's voice being inaudible to many of the audience, the matter is turned over to Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee, who continues.)

Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee: "I will read this Bill 11807:

A Bill granting pensions to certain disabled children of veterans of the Civil War and the war with Spain.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, that every child of a veteran of the Civil War or the war with Spain, over the age of sixteen years, who has become or shall become blind or so disabled as to become helpless, shall be paid a pension at the rate of \$36. a month.

SEC. 2. As used in section 1 of this Act, the term 'veteran' means a person who served ninety days or more in the Army, Navy, or Marine Corps of the United States and was honorably discharged therefrom, or who, having so served for less than ninety days, died in such service or was honorably discharged for a disability incurred in such service and in the line of duty.

SEC. 3. Any person entitled to receive the pension provided for by this Act may continue to receive in lieu thereof any greater pension to which he may be entitled under any other law, public or private.

SEC. 4. The pension under this Act shall commence on the date application therefor is filed in the Bureau of Pensions. Applications shall be in such form as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior.

"I read one of these resolutions this morning of a similar character, with reference to blind children, some of them getting \$36 now until they are 16 years of age, and after that \$20, and this is to equalize that.

"These Bills were put in, one by Representative Dallinger, and the other by Senator Walsh, both of Massachusetts. We have approved this Bill three or four years, and we are asked to do it again. This Bill 11807 has the unanimous approval of our Committee.

"The Resolution offered by Comrade Ham, — That all rules now in use governing State Departments of the G. A. R. by the National Department be declared obsolete, etc., the Committee report as inexpedient to legislate."

Past Dept. Commander Ham: "Mr. Chairman, I shall move a substitution of the motion for the report of the Committee."

Commander: "Just a moment — we will take these up in the order in which they come."

Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee: "This resolution was spoken of before, but it had been handed to the Committee who have approved it. I will read Comrade Stoddard's resolution:

WHEREAS, One day in seven for rest and the moral and religious life has been of the greatest value to individuals, States and Nations which have observed it,

AND WHEREAS, It has been the established policy of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and her chief officials, including our present governor, His Excellency Alvan T. Fuller, to approve and defend it,

AND WHEREAS, The commercialism of Sunday has been defeated in our Legislature for many years by large majorities,

AND WHEREAS, There is a clear distinction between amateur sports on the Lord's Day which are legalized, and commercial sports which seek legislation in order to increase the income of a few owners and managers;

THEREFORE RESOLVED, That we record our most earnest protest against any attempt to legalize commercial sports on the Lord's Day, and call upon all members of the Grand Army and their friends to bring out their whole constituency to the polls, in order to defeat the Initiative Bill, House No. 213, which it is expected will be placed on the ballot November 6, 1928, that there be a large majority of NO votes.



"This resolution is reported favorably by your Committee."

Past Dept. Commander Comey: "Commander and Comrades, I have been asked to speak on this resolution, but it seems needless after I have observed your work and example."

Commander: "I think we would better take these resolutions up in the order they have been presented. On House Bill 11807, you have heard the resolution read, and the report of your Committee which approves of it. What action will you take upon this resolution, the first one read?"

(It is moved that the Encampment approves the action and recommendation of the Committee. This is seconded, the question is put, and it is so voted.)

"Now, this resolution offered by Comrade Ham, in relation to declaring the rules and regulations of the National Department obsolete; and the report of your Committee that they deem it inexpedient to legislate?"

(It is moved and seconded that the report be accepted.)

Past Dept. Commander Ham: "Now I shall make a motion that the resolution be adopted in spite of the report of that committee, and for this reason: It comes from the same source in sending as I received this week a command in relation to the control of my Post; and I believe that it ought to be within the jurisdiction of this Encampment to say what shall be done."

Commander: "Does anybody second Comrade Ham's motion? He makes a motion that the resolution be adopted in place of the report of the Committee. (The motion is seconded.) It is moved and seconded that this resolution be adopted in place of the report of the Committee."

Past Dept. Commander Ham: "Now, that order that comes from the National Department comes from the same source, and dictates to us in Massachusetts, just the same as that statement that went to Washington, and asked or stated that we didn't want any pension beyond what we have already received. The sentiment is the same. They desire to dictate from the National Encampment what shall be done as far as delegates that come to our Encampment.

"Now, we passed a vote this forenoon, but that vote is against the rules of the Department, and that is what I am trying to straighten out; so that those rules will not fall on us. For instance, look at the chance of those rules being applied in New Hampshire or Maine where there are so few to attend the conventions; and the same in Vermont and Rhode Island. In Massachusetts we have more men than in any of those States, and I don't think we ought to be dictated to by the National Encampment as to how Massachusetts shall have her delegates in her convention, and I don't think the Department ought to dictate how we shall run our Posts — you ought to do it. Your delegates ought to dictate how the Posts in Massachusetts should be run — not from the other side of New York.

"Consequently I move that that resolution which I presented shall be presented by your delegates, and let the various States vote on it; for I believe that many of the States are in the same condition. I would like that they should say how they might be run, instead of having to look to the Department Commander to dictate what shall be done. And I move that that —."

A Comrade: "I would like to interpose a question. Can we have two motions before the house at the same time, — a motion to adopt the report of the Committee and a motion to adopt the resolution itself which is against the Committee's report?"

Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee: "This is to substitute a minority report."

Commander-elect Foster: "I recognize the Commander, who desires to speak on this matter."

Commander: "I want to say a word or two to you on this question. Comrades, we fought through '61 to '65 against just this same principle, — the principle of secession. If we abolish the rules of the Grand Army of the Republic you kill the Grand Army of the Republic. It is equivalent to State Rights, which the secessionists claimed. You are claiming by this motion to adopt this resolution to abolish the rules of the Grand Army of the Republic; and I say that as long as we exist as an organization known as the Grand Army of the Republic let us abide by the rules and regulations that we make. (A Voice — 'Amen' — and great applause.)

"We send our delegations to the National Encampment, and if the delegates so decide we change the rules and regulations; if a majority of the delegates that go there want to change the rules that is their privilege and right; that is what we did from 1861 to 1865, and we maintained the Government that we believed in. And I believe in government by the head of the Grand Army of the Republic, and that no Department has a right to secede; but it does have the right to send delegates to the convention, and to instruct them that if they don't like the rules and regulations to use every effort to change them; and if a majority can be prevailed on to do it — why, that would be something to follow; but if we adopt this resolution offered by Comrade Ham we will tend to ruin the morale of the Grand Army of the Republic — and that ends it."

Past Dept. Commander Ham: "I simply want to call attention to this fact, that I am not trying to do anything against the Grand Army of the Republic but we are violating the rules all the time; the Assistant Adjutant-General acknowledged the violation of them, and we are doing it all the time. And as our Commander suggests I hope you will pass the resolution that they will instruct the delegates to put forth every effort to allow the States to control their own affairs. That is not rebellion; that is liberty to act. You cannot call it rebellion when you are all the time throttled and not allowed to act. We are violating the rules today; you admit it, but the Rules and Regulations say that you shan't do it. We violate rules by the very act of our vote."

"Now, what I am trying to do is to make those votes legal and right. I don't want to violate the oath that I have taken to support the Rules and Regulations of the Grand Army of the Republic in any form, but I want those Rules and Regulations made and joined together to do what the law of this Encampment might dictate for us to do; and I am sure they never would dictate for us to wipe out our Women's Relief Corps and our Daughters."

Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee: "We hear a great deal here about this terrible National Encampment. What is it? It is 18 men this year from this Department which you have elected here today to go out there. It is 25 from the State of New York, Pennsylvania, and so on; it is these new comrades each year that make the National Encampment."

"Now, if you are going to do this awful thing in Massachusetts, do you suppose others are not as interested as you are? If you pass this Resolution and send your delegates to that National Encampment with any such trash as that you are going to make your delegates the laughing-stock of that convention! (Applause.)"

"As Comrade Monk has said, it is simply getting back to secession. You say you won't abide by the laws you have already passed by representatives sent to the National Encampment each year. Now, I hope you will bury this so deep that you will never hear from it again! (Applause.) We have built our order here under these rules, and have made it the grandest order on the face of the earth, — respected and honored everywhere by everyone; and now you are going to say that what you have been working on all the time has been a farce, and you want something not endorsed by your own makers of rules."

"Let's show once and for all that Massachusetts has some backbone. If these Posts get so small they cannot run their affairs by regular meetings, why then say so — give up and join some other Post that is larger, or join the membership at large. We have now a membership at large in this Department of about fifty."

"There is no reason under God's heaven why such a resolution as this should be passed unless to show we are mighty weakminded — and I don't believe the Department of Massachusetts wants to show that."

A comrade: "I move the previous question — on the report of the Committee."

Commander: "The question before the Encampment is upon the motion of Comrade Ham, that this resolution be adopted in substitution, — in place of the report of the Committee that the resolution is inexpedient to legislate. Now the previous question is moved. Are you ready for the question? All in favor of the substitute motion manifest it in the usual manner. (No response.)"

"Contrary minded. (A loud negative vote.)"

"It is not a vote. Now we will act on the report of the Committee, which is that



it is inexpedient to legislate on this question. All in favor of the report? (It is a unanimous affirmative vote.)

"Now in relation to House Bill 213."

Past Dept. Commander Comey: "They are making it legal in different localities to have commercialized baseball on the seventh day — on Sunday. Now, I have watched your lives and activities for 67 years; I have known your disposition to support law and order, and what is best for the communities you have always stood for. I also know your influence and example, and I believe that you will vote for this resolution."

Commander: "You have heard the Lord's-Day-sports resolution read, and understand that it is practically in opposition to legislation that would commercialize games on Sunday, and the Committee approves it and its recommendation."

Comrade Stoddard, Post 62: "As the author of this resolution I wish to say a few words. We are all Boys here together today; in the 60's we had some red blood in our veins, and we have not lost it all. In your own towns and cities you have taken up the best side of every question; you have stood for men of character, and you stand today where you have always stood, and there is nobody in your own towns and cities that has any greater influence over the boys and girls than the comrades of the Grand Army. Wherever you go you are looked up to and respected by the young, and a word from you in regard to Sunday observance will go a great way. Therefore it is up to us to vote next Fall; we are going to be called to vote on this question of a referendum.

"I say, — preserve our present laws in this respect, and stand by our Governor."

A comrade: "I move that when we take this vote we do it on our feet; for I think we want to get on our feet when voting on a question of this sort."

Commander: "This is in opposition to legislation for commercializing games on Sunday, — the approval of this resolution; and the motion has been made that when we vote that it be by a rising vote. All in favor of the resolution manifest it by rising. Contrary minded?" (It is a unanimous vote to support the Committee, not one Comrade rising against it.)

"That, as far as I know, completes the report of the Committee on Resolutions. Are there any other committees to report?"

Comrade Crane of Post 193: "I am sort of surprised that the Committee on Resolutions did not recognize another matter of Pension legislation."

Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee: "There is no resolution that has been offered on it."

Comrade Crane: "This has been in the air sufficiently long, and with sufficient emphasis that we should put ourselves on record."

Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee: "I move that when we adjourn we do adjourn to 9.30 o'clock tomorrow morning." (And it is so voted.)

Comrade Charles O. Kelly, Post 47: "I move, Commander, that the Committee on Resolutions be instructed to report on a resolution supporting the so-called Morgan Bill, which grants widows of Civil War veterans \$50 a month." (No action on this.)

Commander: "Are there any more committees to report?"

The afternoon session adjourned at 4 o'clock.

## SECOND DAY.

9.30 A.M., FANEUIL HALL, APRIL 11, 1928.

Commander: "Comrades, the time has arrived to which this convention was adjourned, and I now declare the Encampment open for the transaction of business.

"There was no business pending at the time of adjournment yesterday, and if there is no objection we will take up Resolutions, as one Comrade had a resolution to offer but was too late to introduce it at the proper time. Comrade Crane."

Comrade Crane of Post 193: "Commander and Comrades, I herewith present a resolution which the Commander will read for me."

Commander (reading): "Resolution submitted by Comrade S. Minot Crane, C. M. Packard Post 193, Avon, Mass.

WHEREAS, The pension bill known as the 'Morgan House Bill,' was deleted by the House, omitting the increase of veterans' pension to \$72 and wholly disabled veterans to \$125, and for the widows to \$50, and

WHEREAS, The section only of the aforesaid Bill by an amendment to the appropriation to the widows' pension, voted and submitted to the Senate Committee on Pensions, without discussion, the sum of \$40.; and

WHEREAS, That the Senate Committee plans to substitute the original Morgan House Bill as first presented to the House, —

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Encampment of Massachusetts Grand Army of the Republic, in session assembled this 11th day of April, 1928, does protest the proposed amended Morgan House Bill, and that our Assistant Adjutant-General be instructed to urge our Senators and Representatives to try and secure the passage of the original Morgan House Bill, in justice to the few who are not receiving \$72.00.

This will be referred to our Committee on Resolutions."

Officer-of-the-Day: "The Army Nurses are at the outpost."

Commander: "I will appoint as the committee to receive the Army Nurses, and to escort them to the Encampment, Past Commander Ham, and Comrade James R. Hamilton, who will retire now to escort and introduce these ladies. Also Comrades Boyd and Wade to visit the Sons of Veterans." (The Army Nurses enter.)

Past Dept. Commander Ham: "Though we have many women friends in the allied organizations, it is now my honor and pleasure to present those who are the most precious of them all. I introduce to you, sir, Mrs. Mary Smith."

Comrade Hamilton: "And I have the great pleasure to introduce Mrs. Helen E. Smith, one of the noble ladies that served the country in years gone by."

Commander: "Year after year we receive visits from these wonderful women, whose services during the active campaigns from 1861 to 1865 are remembered and deeply appreciated by every Comrade who has any knowledge of what they did. I personally had experience with their glorious service, and we are all glad that their health permits them to be with us, for this is one of the pleasantest visits we have during our annual Encampment — from the noble women who are going down the pathway of life with us. We are again glad to welcome the Nurses here, and would like to hear a few words from Mrs. Smith."

Mrs. Mary Smith: "Comrades, I am delighted to be with you this morning. I was up at the hotel when Comrade Ham invited us down. I love to look at the Boys. We are all going down the hill, but we are going to join the ranks some day that will never be broken. I hope you will have a nice convention and everything go smoothly. Your audience is small, but you were faithful in '61 to '65, and I know you will be to the end. I am very glad to be here this morning, and I wish you God Speed and hope you will live long and be happy! I thank you." (Applause.)

Commander: "I now present to you Mrs. Helen E. Smith, another of the Army Nurses."

Mrs. Helen E. Smith: "This, Comrades, takes me back to '66, for some of us were not in it until '66, and my husband was one of them, W. C. Smith. I hope we shall all live a little longer to see all the improvements coming in the world. I don't know as I have much more to add, only to say that I am glad to see so many of you this morning; and so I bid you good-bye." (Renewed applause.)

Commander: "I shall now introduce to you Mrs. McQueenie the lady who takes care of the Nurses, and does it so well."

Mrs. McQueenie: "I just want to say — How do you do, and wish you a most enjoyable convention. I think I know most of the men at the Soldiers' Home, and I feel it an honor to be here with the most wonderful Nurses in all the world, the famous Army Nurses of the Civil War."

Commander: "We have been delighted with this visit (addressing the Nurses) of yours, and trust that you may be spared in your health in order to be with us in years to come. We thank you very much for coming to this Encampment today."



(As the Nurses retire the song — "Should Auld Acquaintance be Forgot," is sung.)

"Now, are there any Committees that have not yet reported? Well, while we are awaiting the report of the Resolutions Committee the Encampment is ready to receive any new business or hear any remarks by Comrades to fill in the time. Has any Comrade anything to say? — probably you won't get much opportunity to talk later on when the delegations begin to arrive.

"I understand from the Assistant Adjutant-General that your Committee on Resolutions approves the one presented by Comrade Crane, and if you adopt the same it places this Encampment on record as favoring the adoption of the Morgan Bill as originally presented to the Congress; and there should be instructions given to the Assistant Adjutant-General to so inform our Congressmen from this Commonwealth."

Comrade Flynn, Post 195: "I would like to ask what was the action of the National Encampment on that Bill at Grand Rapids last September? I think the resolution proposed here differs from that action, though I am not sure. Maybe I can get some information."

Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee: "The action of the National Encampment was that the probabilities are we could not get the full bill through Congress this year, and they felt that the widows needed their increase a great deal more than the comrades needed theirs, and it voted unanimously to only ask for the widows' pension this year.

"Now, that was the sense of your National Encampment, as told you yesterday. It is not the ogre that some folks think it is; it is made up of comrades sent from the different organizations, and it changes each year so that there is no cut-and-dried business there. And when you say that the National Encampment does so-and-so it is your Comrade whom you elected to go there as a delegate that you are referring to — after they voted with the Encampment. They, the delegates, are supposed to have minds of their own, and if they want to oppose a thing they have the right to do it; but if they don't oppose it this Department has no kick coming because of anything the National Encampment does.

"They voted, without a dissenting vote, not to ask for a veterans' pension bill, but to put the whole strength into a Bill for the widows. The *Tribune*, which in my opinion, has done more to kill pensions than anything else in this whole land, because it always brought in something antagonistic to what the Grand Army asked for, — they got these other bills and have been advertising them and making it appear that the National Encampment didn't stand up for the comrades. They did, — but also for the widows, feeling that it was better to ask for half a loaf and get it than for a whole loaf and not get it.

"I shall not vote against it, but I don't like this Resolution because it looks as though we were fighting the National Encampment, of which we are a part."

Comrade Lincoln, Post 125: "Comrades, when you go gunning you don't scatter your shots; if you want to get one thing you try for that; and I have followed that rule all my life.

"I have in mind a husband that went out in '62, and the wife took care of the family all the time he was away, and now for years and years she needed a pension, and got one finally, but I am sorry to state that the old lady died. But there are some still living; let us see if we cannot get a better pension for them than they have had. So in place of this resolution I would move that we endorse the sentiments of the last National Convention and look after the widows. They need it more than the men — more than all you do; so let us give them something and see if it cannot be put through. Don't fight for half a dozen other people, but fight for the widows."

Commander: "Are you ready for the question, which is upon the report of the Committee on this resolution?"

Comrade Lincoln: "I move an amendment to that, — that we endorse the action of the last National Convention at Grand Rapids."

Comrade Flynn: "What was the report of the Committee on the resolution?"

Commander: "They approve the resolution. Comrade Lincoln's motion is that we substitute for the report of the Committee his amendment that we endorse the

action of the National Encampment taken at Grand Rapids. Are you ready for the question on this substitution? All in favor of Comrade Lincoln's motion manifest it by saying, Aye." (It is an affirmative vote.)

Comrade Crane: "I doubt the vote and will call for a rising vote; then we shall know where we stand. And I would like to ask, if we pass that motion, do we endorse the action of the National Encampment saying the Veterans don't need any more pensions?"

Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee: "No, — this resolution of the National was that the veterans would not ask for it this year. But we don't say they don't want it. We do ask that the widows can have theirs."

Officer-of-the-Day: "The Senior Vice-Commander of the World War is at the outpost, and would like to pay his respects to this convention."

Commander: "A verification of the vote is asked in the form of a rising vote. (This is done with the following result: In favor, 75; opposed, 33.)

"The amendment is substituted. Now, all in favor of the motion to endorse the action of the National Encampment will manifest it by saying, Aye. (It is an affirmative vote.)

"I will appoint Comrades Crane, Fairbanks and Lincoln to escort to the convention and introduce the Spanish War Veterans' Auxiliary." (This delegation enters and is formally presented.)

Comrade Crane: "I have the pleasure of introducing Mrs. Alice Kittredge, Department President of the U. S. W. V. Auxiliary."

Comrade Fairbanks: "I introduce to you Mrs. Katherine Owens, Dept. Chaplain of the U. S. W. V. Auxiliary."

Comrade Lincoln: "I have the honor to present Mrs. Nellie Heath, Chief-of-Staff."

Commander: "Ladies, we are highly pleased to receive you here today, representing as you do the Auxiliary to the Spanish War Veterans. That war, although of short duration, was of great significance to us and to the country; and we are very glad to have you with us, and hope your visit will prove pleasant to you, for I know we shall enjoy it."

Mrs. Alice Kittredge, Department President of Auxiliary: "Commander and Comrades of the Grand Army, this is indeed a pleasure, to visit this Encampment and see this splendid gathering of the G. A. R. This is my first visit, and I certainly am proud to be here today and to bring you the greetings of the Department of Massachusetts Auxiliary. Commander, on behalf of my sisters I would like to present to you this little token with the love and esteem of over 3,300 women. We are proud of the Grand Army and hope its members will be with us for a good many more years to come. I thank you."

Commander: "On behalf of the Department of Massachusetts I am pleased to receive this token, and believe all the Comrades will appreciate it as coming from you, because we know we have the sympathy of the soldiers you represent, as well as of the ladies connected with this Auxiliary. We wish you success in your organization, and trust you may have many years of enjoyment of the benefits we secured and which you are helping to maintain."

Mrs. Katherine Owens, Department Chaplain: "Department Commander and officers and comrades of the Grand Army, I am very happy to be able to be present at your convention this morning, and I hope you will carry on as you have been doing just as long as there are Comrades to carry on. I hope you will have a very happy ending to your convention. I thank you." (Applause.)

Mrs. Nellie Heath, Chief-of-Staff of Auxiliary: "Comrades and friends, you are not only comrades but you are friends, and we feel that you are brothers united with us — not only as Spanish War Veterans but as the Grand Army of the Republic and wives and daughters of such. I assure you it is a great pleasure to be here this morning and to bring you also the greetings of our Department, together with our love and best wishes for a happy and harmonious and pleasant convention. I hope you all will be here next year — everyone of you — and that we may have the pleasure of being with you again. I thank you for the privilege of being with you this morning."



Commander: "We thank you for this visit. I think it is the first we have received from your organization; but trust it will not be the last. We shall be glad to receive you in the future."

(The ladies of the U. S. W. V. Auxiliary retire.)

Commander: "I will appoint Comrade Robinson of Post 4 to escort to this Encampment Comrade Youngman, State Treasurer of this Commonwealth." (The State Treasurer is welcomed with enthusiasm.)

Officer-of-the-Day: "I have to announce the Senior Vice-Commander of the World War Veterans, also ladies of that Auxiliary."

Comrade Robinson: "I have the honor and the pleasure to present to you Major William S. Youngman."

Commander: "Comrades, it is a pleasure to introduce Comrade Youngman, Treasurer of the Commonwealth, who desires to say a few words to you, and who is to come in here later with another delegation."

Major William S. Youngman: "Comrades, as I happen to be the only Veteran that has been elected to a State office by the voters at large in Massachusetts in the last 16 years, I feel it appropriate to bring to you the greetings of this grand old Commonwealth that you have honored so much. But I have got to do it in a very few words because I am a member of Dudley Camp at Brighton, and I am a delegate and want to go up and do my duty with the Sons.

"However, I want to say how much of a pleasure it is to see you, and how proud I am to be associated with you, and how pleased I am to say that at the last contest I was in on the side of the veterans when every other candidate for office of both parties on the state ticket said hush, hush, and took no definite stand for the veterans on the Veterans' Preference on the referendum in the last election. I took an open and public stand, advocating it everywhere, spent my own money, talked over the radio, and asked the voters to support the veterans. Altho' they were licked in New York by over 400 plurality we won and sustained the Veterans' Preference here.

"Some politicians met me and said 'You are making a great mistake; the Massachusetts Civic League, composed of long-haired men and short-haired women, is advocating the abolition of the Veterans' Preference, and you will be licked if you take a stand on it. Don't say anything about it.' I said, 'My father was a Union Veteran, and I had five uncles, three of them my father's brothers, and I am going to take my stand with the veterans — I don't care how many times I get licked.' Because I would rather be with them on the right side and go down to defeat than be on the wrong side and get elected. (Applause.)

"Now, let me tell you how some of this newspaper propaganda may be used to mislead the public where the veterans are concerned. That Veterans' Preference business was discussed all over the state, and many editorials written on it. According to some it would appear that the veterans of the World War all the rest of their lives were going to get ahead of everybody else in the Civil Service regardless of the grades they had in the service.

"Now, a man, for example, gets ready to do something but has no sympathy with the veterans; he says 'My father didn't go to the Civil War and I am sick of seeing the Civil War Veterans parading round in blue uniforms.' What was the truth about it? It was this, — that about 80 per cent of the men that claimed Veterans' Preference realized from it. The Spanish War men were too old to go into the Fire and Police Departments of the cities and towns of this Commonwealth, the age limit being 35 in those cities and towns — they didn't need to abolish the Veterans' Preference because the age was going to abolish it, and the average age of even the veterans of the World War in Massachusetts was 33 years.

"That is an example of the unfairness of the thing. Somebody raises the cry, and the first thing you know, because the Grand Army men are diminishing in numbers, and the younger veterans of the World War have not quite got their sea-legs on, and don't pull together very well — and the Spanish War Veterans not large in numbers — they thought they could do in Massachusetts what they did in New York, — put it over the veterans, give the 'glad hand' when they got home, but forgot them a few weeks after.

"I shall never forget the last words of Roosevelt when saying farewell to the Rough Riders. This, I think, is a thought for you to take home: 'You are heroes now. The nation is overflowing with gratitude to you; and that will last for about ten days after you get home. After that if you get anything from that grateful nation you will have to band together and hustle for it!'

"Isn't that true?"

Commander: "I am pleased to receive the delegations from the World War veterans and their Auxiliary. I now present the Senior Vice-Commander-in-Chief, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Mr. Carver."

Comrade Carver: "Comrade-Commander and Comrades all, I bring you the greetings of our National organization, as I represent the Commander-in-Chief of the great organization that always is ready to do honor and homage to the Grand Army of the Republic.

"We realize that all the soldier legislation we have today we owe to you, because you are the ones who fought for the first soldier legislation in this country, and you are the ones that by your fight made it possible for us and the Spanish War Veterans to get legislation later on.

"We also as citizens of this great Republic owe you, I believe, in a large measure such patriotism as there is in this country. As children we all of us remember you and your Comrades coming to the schools and teaching us patriotism; and we remember Memorial Day honoring the comrades from your War as we now honor the comrades of later wars. And we would be ungrateful if we did not pay our respects and tell you we appreciate you — because of the sacrifices you made to make our present country as it is — possible for us to enjoy.

"Of course, I represent all the Wars in which our men have seen foreign service, but I am myself a World War Veteran, and I realize that the campaign you Comrades went through made possible such military knowledge as was acquired so that we might be able to do something thereafter. And if you Comrades feel that the country has not been fair with you entirely — as I feel — may you remember that republics are always said to be ungrateful, though way down deep they must have a feeling of gratitude — even if on the surface they pass you by. And we, who have gone through something of what you went through do appreciate what you did, and we are going to stand behind you in any legislation you wish to put through, if we possibly can." (Applause.)

Commander: "I will now present Mrs. Cohen, Department President of the V. F. W. Auxiliary."

Mrs. Cohen: "Commander of the Grand Army of the Republic and Comrades, the two comrades I am facing now are my own comrades. I wish to bring to you the heartiest greetings of the Ladies' Auxiliary to the Department of Massachusetts. And I feel proud to think that I have the privilege of being here this morning.

"You really will never realize how pleased I am to represent our organization, for I want you to know that the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Veterans of Foreign Wars are heart and soul with you, Comrades, fully as much as we are with the boys of our own organization and I wish for you all many more years of life and happiness. Commander, in behalf of the Massachusetts Auxiliary, I wish to tender to you these flowers, wishing you all good things from the bottom of our hearts."

Commander: "We are pleased to receive this organization, and in behalf of the Grand Army I thank you for your interest and your visit here. The ladies of the patriotic organizations have strewn our pathway with flowers for many years, and I want to assure you that we have not yet reached the age when we do not appreciate such favors as this, and enjoy these posies as much now as we would many years ago. The old fellows of the Civil War will always remember you and your efforts to sustain the laws we fought to maintain; and we thank you for your help to secure the same to posterity. I again thank you."

Commander: "I now have the pleasure to present the Senior Vice-Pres. of the V. F. W. Auxiliary — Mrs. C. T. Janouneau."

Mrs. Janouneau: "Commander and members of the Grand Army, I wish to salute you. I was very much pleased when our Department President invited me to come here this morning. Comrade Monk does not remember me, I think, but I am one



of the charter members of the Auxiliary of which he is a member, — the Auxiliary in Braintree; and it did me a lot of good to be invited here because I told him two years ago, when he went in as an officer of the Grand Army of the Republic that I would be sure to make him a visit, though I never have had a chance until today. It gives me a great deal of pleasure to be here, and I wish you, Commander, the very best of health, and the hope of seeing you next year again. I thank you."

Commander: "I highly appreciate this visit, and thank you for it; and you will kindly convey to your organization the best wishes of the Department of Massachusetts Grand Army of the Republic.

(P. D. C. Henry Clark is appointed to receive the Ladies of the G. A. R.)

"Ladies of the G. A. R., we are glad to receive you at the Department Encampment and to give you a soldier's welcome. You are very near to our hearts, for you are connected with us both by patriotic motives and by family ties. And now, Comrades, I present to you Sister Alice M. Pearson, Past Department President, Ladies of the G. A. R."

Past Dept. President Alice M. Pearson: "It is indeed a great pleasure to bring you the greetings of the Department of Massachusetts Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic the only organization that has those three words connected with it, and they cannot take it away from us.

"We shall perpetuate your memory as long as there is blood-kin relation to the Grand Army of the Republic. Some of you Boys do not realize, or perhaps do not know the work of the Ladies of the G. A. R. Some of you do, because I am very proud to stand here today and see your Past Department Commanders and you Boys, and to remind you that I have had the honor to be called their 'mother,' of which I am very proud.

"We at our Circle have birthday parties for the Boys; we visit homes in our different Circles to do what we can for the Boys there. We also go in our own quiet way to the homes of the widows and the dependent ones, and do all we can for them; and if there is ever a time that one of you Boys wishes for anything, or for anybody to do for him, no one will respond quicker than the Ladies of the G. A. R. (Applause.)

"And Department Commander Monk, it is a great pleasure for me to present to you a personal token from the Department of Massachusetts Ladies of the G. A. R."

Commander: "I thank you for this 'personal token,' or indeed for any token which we do not need — except the love and respect that I know I retain and hold.

"I thank you just the same. My visits to your organization have been few this year because of my physical condition, but those that have been made have been with extreme pleasure and will long be remembered. I thoroughly appreciate your organization and the work you are doing, and want to assure you that the comrades of the Grand Army have an equal appreciation of your efforts, and speaking for them I bid you God Speed; and we hope you will enjoy many years of meritorious service."

Mrs. Pearson: "In the absence of Past Commander Henry Clark I want to say that your Past Commander did a very great thing for me just a few years ago. Perhaps you may have heard of it, tho' you may not have. On his first trip to England he went also to France, and he placed upon the grave of my son a wreath in memory of the Grand Army of the Republic of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts; and he also placed one in memory of myself, his mother — which to me was the highest honor I have ever had conferred upon me.

"Also on his last trip abroad he did the same thing. That has convinced me that I am perfectly satisfied to know that my boy's body is in holy ground, because it not only came from the government of the United States but came from Past Department Commander Henry Clark." (Applause.)

Commander: "I now introduce to you, Comrades, Mrs. Ross, National President of the Ladies of the G. A. R." (Applause.)

Mrs. Mary Bell Ross: "Department Commander and Comrades of our heart, I extend to you the greetings of the National Organization, Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic. You have been told by your Sisters of Massachusetts that we stand back of you in anything you may call for; — all you need to do is to make

known your wants, and we are ready to respond. You have heard our greetings, and now I am going to tell a little story:

"One of our comrades had a dream that he died and went to heaven, and when he appeared at the Golden Gate St. Peter welcomed him in. And he said to St. Peter, 'Are there any Grand Army people in heaven?' 'Oh, yes,' was the reply, 'heaven is full of Grand Army people.' So the Comrade went in very happy in thinking he would meet his comrades and friends. And he looked all around through the Golden Streets but not one Comrade, or anyone connected with the Grand Army, could he find. And so he returned to the Gate and asked: 'St. Peter, you said that heaven is full of Grand Army people, but I cannot find one.' So St. Peter took him out into the middle of the street, and pointing way down said: 'Do you see that little black spot way, way down?' 'Yes!' 'Well, those are Grand Army people.' 'Why,' he asked, 'are the Grand Army people so far removed from the throne?' St. Peter smiled and said: 'Why, don't you know that the Grand Army people are the only people that God can trust out of His sight.' (Laughter.)

"So I think you are in a fair way to reach heaven, no matter what we do or say, — the sacrifices these Grand Army Boys made insure their admission to heaven, and we hope to meet you there. But, in the meantime, we hope to meet you many, many times here.

"I thank you for your attention and will not take any more of your time; but I am glad to have had the opportunity to address the Massachusetts Department, and thank you." (Applause.)

Commander: "I now present Mrs. Emma Thurlow, Department Inspector, Ladies of the G. A. R. Salute!"

Mrs. Emma Thurlow: "Officers of this Department, I did not come here to make a speech but to be an escort to those Ladies who needed someone to come down here and perhaps tell them what to say.

"But I do want to add that I feel very much pleased to be here in any capacity, for I feel that I am a true daughter of the Grand Army men. I was born in 1864 in the South — in Portsmouth, Virginia, but my father went to War from Concord, New Hampshire. He enlisted; and when he came home on a furlough my mother wanted to go too. They had been married some few months before he enlisted. He said he was going from Concord to Manchester, if such a comrade could go with him, and was going back on a certain train. And his new wife went also, and was there for over a year, and I think they must have found me down South. (Laughter.)

"So I am a Daughter born under two flags, North and South, altho' my parents were both Northern people. I don't know as I can say any more." (Applause.)

Commander: "I congratulate you on getting out of it so well, having in view the Grand Army men you had to entertain last night. Now I present to you Sister Ethel C. Ross of the Ladies of the G. A. R."

Ethel C. Ross, of Circle 29: "Department Commander, Officers and friends, I am a young member but I am very happy to greet you because I am the granddaughter of a Grand Army man. This is the first time I have had the privilege of meeting these great hearted men, and as my Sisters have brought greetings of our order I am not prepared to make any speech. I have always been loyal in heart and soul, and any time I can help any of you men I shall always be ready. I thank you so much!" (Applause.)

Commander: "We thank you all for this visit, and assure you we appreciate your efforts in our behalf; and we hope we may see you at several meetings in the future. I personally wish you all success imaginable, and trust you will enjoy for many years the blessings we all have received."

Mrs. Eva F. Phillips: "Department Commander and Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, we are here today because you are a member of our organization, Col. Paul Revere Circle No. 26 of Dorchester.

"We didn't know until we heard you say at our supper at Chelsea that you had been assigned to our Circle, and immediately we took steps to come here today and pay our respects to you; and so a delegation from the Circle is with me, though our President, I am sorry to say, is unable to be here this morning. But it gives me great pleasure to present to you this little token of love and esteem from the mem-



bers of your Circle, and we are very, very happy indeed to have a Department Commander as a member of our Circle.

"I know you are having a wonderful convention, and I am not going to take any more of your time or detain you from your dinner. Please accept this with our love, and we would like to have you visit our Circle where you will find a very warm welcome." (Applause.)

Commander: "I hardly know how to respond to this, for I feel that I have been so delinquent in my duty. Several years ago I was assigned to your Circle, and I want to beg your pardon, and that of your fellow Sisters, for my delinquency in not visiting your Circle.

"But it is a great pleasure to know that I was considered worthy of being admitted to a Circle of the Ladies of the G. A. R.; I have always held them in high esteem, and did not require any token of this material character to know that I held the esteem and love of the members of your organization, because I have had so many demonstrations of it; and these posies coming with it impress me very much. We are all glad to receive you here today, and want you to convey to Circle 26 the sentiment and the fact that I am proud of being a member of it. Will you also convey to the Sisters not present that I am heartily in sympathy with the objects of the association; and when I am relieved from the duties of the past year I shall try to do my obvious duty a little better and perhaps visit your Circle again.

"I thank you for this remembrance, and shall hold it in high respect for years to come."

Mrs. Phillips: "Members of our Circle will pass through here and give you an example of its love." (This being a red rose, which is tendered by each lady amidst great applause by the Comrades.) (The delegation then retires.)

Commander: "While this has been going on representatives from the Sons of Union Veterans have arrived, and, as you may have noted — have been formally presented to your Commander. In turn I will now introduce to this Encampment the Past Commander-in-Chief, Dr. Ernest W. Homan."

Dr. Homan: "Department Commander Monk, Officers and members of the Massachusetts Department Grand Army of the Republic. A good many years ago when I was studying in college a young man started to give ether to a woman before an operation, and he forgot to ask her if she had any false teeth or chewing-gum before he put her to sleep, else she might choke to death. So he took the cone off her face and bent down and asked, 'Madam, have you anything loose in your mouth?' And she, way off in a dream, replied, 'No, doctor, nothing but my tongue, and, for Heaven's sake, don't cut that out.'

"You have had a good many delegations of ladies in here, and I don't know whether you thought their tongues were loose or not, but I wish mine was and is when I stand before you to bring the greetings of the Massachusetts Department Sons of Veterans of the Civil War. We have sat at the shrine of patriotism and worshipped the comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic in the Department of Massachusetts ever since we were born.

"We are proud of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, we are proud of her history; we are proud of her soldiers and of her Boys in Blue, and we never go to the National Encampment, wherever it may be, and stand and watch the Grand Army pass in review without experiencing, when the Massachusetts Department goes by, a little more of a thrill and more of pride — and we holler a little louder for the Boys from Massachusetts than for those from any other section, because their coats are always done up — two rows of buttons — and they have one badge on and are the finest group of veteran soldiers as they pass in review. And may you always be so! (Applause.)

"Now, we have sat in our homes and learned of patriotism from the Grand Army of the Republic; and as I said last year, and as I shall continue to say, — I don't know of anybody more fitted to teach patriotism than you are. We have listened to the greetings over in our Encampment, and they brought that spirit of enthusiasm which we always get from you all; but we are more privileged than our comrades in the Copley Plaza because we can come here and look into your faces again.

"We know how you feel and we felt awhile ago, — your Department Commander spoke about it in his address — something that happened long ago. It was in our report last year, and should not have been there; and I am sorry your Department Commander mentioned it in connection with our organization, because it does not count. Now, that is long past, and might have been true in the early years of the relationship between our organization and yours; but those days are gone, and today the relationship that exists between the Massachusetts Department Grand Army of the Republic and my organization, the Sons of Union Veterans, is that of father and son absolutely.

"And as I look down into the faces of the Comrades whom I have seen for forty years, I note the face of a man that comes from my own town, Joe Newell, one of the oldest citizens and one of three survivors; here is a wonderful comrade from Melrose; here is one from Wakefield — I can pick them out and tell you where they come from because I have visited this Encampment from year to year and heard your voices, — one in particular with a beautiful tenor. Shall I forget them? Not me! And as long as there are men like myself, who have sat under your teaching and heard your story, the Sons are going to care for you in the future.

"There was once a traveler carrying a bag hung front and back on his shoulders. And one said to him, 'My dear man, your bag in front seems to be full and big; what is in it?' And the man replied, 'All the kind things and nice things I have found in the journey of life.' But the bag hanging down behind appeared to be empty, and why not? — because it had a cut across the bottom; and the man said, 'I did that on purpose, for that bag was for the ugly things in life, and I cut a hole so they would run out as quickly as they could, while the good things in front I shall always see in the journey of life.'

"And so my message is that we of the Sons of Veterans are carrying the fine and noble things we know about in a bag right in front of us, so to always remember to look upon the wonderful things you have done and to remember them; while the things that should be forgotten are ripped up the back, and that bag hangs down empty; but we remember the smiles, the songs, the good words, the happy times together, and will carry those from generation to generation all through your history." (Applause.)

Department Chaplain, Brother Randolph: "Men of the Grand Army, lady visitors and all, Dr. Homan started with a story — and he finished it. He said that he was a graduate of a school that gave ether, and I thought he was going to give you ether so you could stand the rest of us, and he certainly has.

"Well, we are not going to say much, because it was agreed that the Doctor should be the spokesman for this organization, but I just want to say I am proud of the Grand Army of Massachusetts, although my old dad never lived in the Commonwealth; I was born in Maine, and my father was a member of Bosworth Post in Portland, and I was an honorary member when I lived there.

"I always felt at home in that atmosphere of patriotism, and in that circle of good fellowship which comes from meeting men who have worn the Blue and been through the struggles of life together, and know what real friendship and fellowship means.

"I remember well those Camp Fires held in the old Bosworth Post hall, and from month to month during five winters we used to gather there and listen to reminiscences by the old fellows just like you, — boys in their enthusiasm and love for country and the flag.

"Now I bring to you, as an adopted son of Massachusetts, not only my love and reverence for you men of the Grand Army but my appreciation of the patriotism that you have instilled into the men of this generation. I never knew the time when patriotism did not course through my veins; never the time when there was not love for that old flag, instilled into my infant mind and in my boyhood days — when my old dad got me out and dressed me up in an old uniform that I could wear when I got a little larger, and as an imitation soldier I strutted up and down in the old barn at the country home. And he also taught me the manual of arms, and, friends, I thank God every day for the father that was such a pal to his boy, as my dad was to me. And I want to greet you as an official representative with Dr.



Homan and Brother Haines of the Sons of Union Veterans, Department of Massachusetts and to pray that for many, many years shall you meet in this old Cradle of Liberty, and that we, your Sons, may prove worthy of that which you have bequeathed unto us." (Applause.)

District Dept. Organizer Haines: "Commander Monk and members of the Grand Army in Encampment assembled, I am only going to say a few words as my brothers have covered the ground. But I desire to say this much, that I feel proud about it because this is the first time in my life I have had the chance to come to an Encampment of the Grand Army. I shall always remember it and the Comrades I see here today as long as I live.

"The principal thing I do is not speaking but I do work hard for the game I am in, — to build up the organization and help the Department of Massachusetts, and that is something I am going to work the harder for from now on. I thank you." (Applause.)

Commander: "I will now present to you Sister and President-elect Bessie Chapman, Department of Massachusetts Auxiliary to the Sons of Veterans."

President-elect Bessie Chapman: "Commander Monk, Comrades and all, this is my first visit to an Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, and it is a source of great pleasure that I was sent here today. I want to pledge my support to each and every one of you, and to the newly elected Commander I pledge my loyal efforts to do anything I can do.

"Now, Commander Monk, in behalf of the Massachusetts Department please accept this as one of the badges."

Commander: "I wonder if any of you comrades know of a truckman that has a truck unengaged that I can employ to transport all these tokens that are being presented to me to my home. I feel that I shall be loaded down with them, but I want to assure you that it is a very pleasant experience to me to receive these tokens of respect from all the allied organizations and others; it goes deep into my heart to know that my life and actions have been such that I have secured the respect and love of my fellow comrades and my sister comrades of the various organizations.

"It does not need any material token to demonstrate to me that I do have the love of the allied organizations, for I know it from my experiences of the past year. They have all been of great assistance to me in my administration, and I appreciate it and thank you for coming here today and for this token of respect. I shall retain it for a long time, and shall retain longer in my mind the very pleasant occasion on which it was presented."

Commander: "I now introduce Margaret L. Waters, National President of Sons of Veterans Auxiliary."

Margaret L. Waters, National President: "Department Commander Monk, and Officers and Members of the Department of Massachusetts, Grand Army of the Republic. It is a pleasure for me today to come to you and to hear Sister Bessie Chapman say it is her first visit to the Encampment, for let me tell you that 19 years ago I came to you for the first time as a member of the Auxiliary with greetings; but at that time they did not let me say a word, and I don't believe I could have said one word; it just simply took my breath away. But today it inspires me to go forward many more years and work for the comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, and for the Union soldiers, sailors and marines who served in that Army from '61 to '65.

"You have given us this blessed country, and I am sure we do appreciate that. And we want to work for you; we try to do what you want us to do, so please tell us, and anything you want us to do we will try to do it.

"I bring to you the greetings of 35,000 members of this Auxiliary, and wish to tell you that we are endeavoring to do for the Sons of Union Veterans what the Women's Relief Corps has done for these many years; we want to be as good an auxiliary to the Sons as the Women's Relief Corps has been to you. We thank you for the privilege of becoming members of the Auxiliary, that we may serve you. Our membership consists of your wives, sons' wives and your sons' sisters, — your whole family all the way down, and all lineal descendants; but they must be related to you men of the Civil War in order to be members of our organization. We have

your blood in our veins and are proud of it, and we want to serve you for many years to come, and teach to coming generations what you have taught.

"I extend to you my personal greetings and hope I shall be here again next year to look into your faces and receive the inspiration to go on in the work you have maintained all these years."

Past Department Council, Emma Lenz: "Commander and Comrades, Brothers and Sisters, I did not intend to speak, but this being my first opportunity to visit this Encampment I surely appreciate being chosen on the staff of visiting delegates and hope that you will enjoy the rest of your convention. I really don't know what else to say, only that I fully appreciate the honor of coming here with the rest of the Sisters."

Gertrude Reason, Department Council: "Commander Monk and Comrades of this Encampment, I was pleased when our Department President appointed me to come with our National President to bring greetings to my Comrades. I am more than pleased to be here, and especially delighted to see four comrades of my own Post in Medford.

"I have served my Post many years, and this is my third year as secretary. I won't take more of your time, as the hour for lunch is approaching, but I hope you have had a very pleasant convention, and I thank you."

Commander: "We have been gratified to receive you together, and thank you for the kind words you have expressed to the Comrades. You know that you as Sons of Union Veterans are the heirs of the Grand Army of the Republic. We have not much of value, financially, to leave you, but we are leaving you a heritage that is without price; we are leaving you Old Glory and the institutions of this great country to support and maintain; and we feel amply satisfied that you are going to sustain and maintain and improve. We extend our congratulations to your association, and beg that you will convey from here the wish that we shall see representatives from your order in years to come, and that your future will be as full of success and satisfaction to you as in the past; and we know it will be to us." (Applause.)

(A delegation from the Women's Relief Corps was next in order, and the visitors were severally presented to the Commander by the Committee of Escort, and he in turn introduced them to the Encampment.)

Commander: "Ladies of the Women's Relief Corps, we are glad to welcome you, for we always expect to see the flower of your organization assigned to visit us in our meeting, and we are never disappointed; your messengers are all flowers to us, and yet we regard them as useful as well as ornamental to us as the Grand Army.

"We shall like to have a few remarks from each one of you, and though you may have some business in your organization you may talk little or much as you see fit — but we want to hear something from all of you. I will first present the National President, Mrs. Emma W. Campbell."

Mrs. Emma W. Campbell, National President Women's Relief Corps: "Department Commander, Officers and Members of the Grand Army, I consider this one of the greatest privileges of my term of office, to come before the various Encampments of the Grand Army of the Republic; and I bring to you this morning the greetings of our great organization, the National Women's Relief Corps, your own auxiliary.

"I appreciate more than I can possibly tell you the privileges our membership owes to the Grand Army. My own dear father was one of your comrades, and the Comrade who stepped up to the platform a moment ago to shake my hand tells me he is a member of the 1st Minnesota regiment. We all know what the '1st Minnesota' meant at Gettysburg, and I want to say to that Comrade that the mayor of my home city, Minneapolis, Minn., is the son of a '1st Minnesota' man.

"I would say further, Comrades, that your Auxiliary in the present and in the future, as well as in the past, is always ready and willing to do your bidding.

"Now, your own Department here has come with so many, many good things that I am not going to take up any more of your time, but just want to say to you that individually and collectively the National Women's Relief Corps loves you one and all." (Applause.)



Commander: "I now present to you, Comrades, Mrs. Annie Poole Atwood, National Instituting and Installing Officer."

Mrs. Annie Poole Atwood: "Friends and Comrades all, I was much surprised this morning when asked to come here and help to bring these greetings to you, because I came last year. But I was glad to be able to come, and as I look into your faces I think, — Oh, what wonderful men you are, and what wonderful citizens you have been all through this great country's legislative power, even though you did not pretend to take a hand in it.

"It has been said by one whom you all remember so well, — Henry Ward Beecher, that we always receive more than we give, and it is the law of the harvest that we reap more than we sow. If you sow an act you reap a habit; if you sow a habit you reap character; and if you sow character you reap a destiny. And that applies to you as comrades of the Grand Army, because the act you sowed in the days of '61 to '65 you are today reaping the destiny you so much deserve, because your names are going down in the history of the United States of America as the great Grand Army of the Republic, the grandest organization of soldiers the world has ever known.

"Comrades, — Comrades! — what a wonderful word that is, and how much it means, and how much you have exemplified comradeship in all these years. And so this morning I am just going to say to you, — Live for us just as long as you can because we need you. Comrades! We need you." (Applause.)

Commander: "Now I desire to introduce one whose duty it has been during the past year to control the efforts of her sisters — control the members as I have tried to control you; and I think she has been faithful to her trust, for we have worked together, and I think effectively."

Department President, Emily L. Corey: "Commander Monk and Comrades, it certainly is a very great honor to come to you as a representative of the Dept. of Massachusetts Women's Relief Corps, and to meet you all in historic Faneuil Hall. I extend to you the hearty greetings of our Department and take great pleasure in rendering the following report:

#### REPORT OF DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT TO DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, G. A. R.

##### HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF MASS. WOMEN'S RELIEF CORPS AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, BOSTON, April 11, 1928.

HENRY A. MONK, *Commander, Department of Massachusetts, G. A. R.*

DEAR SIR: I present herewith a statement of the membership, receipts and expenditures of the Department of Massachusetts Women's Relief Corps during the administration of the past year: —

Number of Corps in the Department January 1, 1928 . . . . .	155
Number of members January 1, 1928 . . . . .	12,512
Cash expended from Corps Relief Funds . . . . .	\$4,551 02
Amount turned over to Posts . . . . .	2,990 15
Estimated value of relief other than money expended from Special Funds . . . . .	1,160 32
Soldiers' Home Fund (care of three rooms) . . . . .	18 64
Department Relief Fund . . . . .	780 00
Soldiers' Home Dormitory Fund . . . . .	70 85
Emergency Fund . . . . .	587 00
Southern Memorial Fund . . . . .	250 00
Child Welfare Fund . . . . .	70 00
Mary Jones Patriotic Fund . . . . .	45 00
D. of U. V. Fair (including receipts of W. R. C. table) . . . . .	74 50
Americanization and College Fund . . . . .	155 00
John A. Andrew Home . . . . .	225 95



MISS EMILY L. COREY  
DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT  
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS  
1927—1928





*Amount on Hand in Department Funds.*

Department Relief Fund . . . . .	\$1,345 29
General Fund . . . . .	3,989 15
Soldiers' Home Fund (three rooms) . . . . .	233 20
Soldiers' Home Dormitory . . . . .	266 97
Emergency Fund . . . . .	1,083 27
Mary Jones Patriotic Fund . . . . .	204 42
Child Welfare Fund . . . . .	112 92
World War Veterans Fund . . . . .	404 70
Americanization and College Fund . . . . .	102 65
Flower Fund . . . . .	68 10
Sarah E. Fuller Memorial Fund . . . . .	18 42
National Defense Fund . . . . .	3 00
Total cash in all funds . . . . .	\$7,832 09

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.,

EMILY L. COREY,  
*Department President.*

"One year ago when I took the chair of Department President I appointed a Grand Army Aid Fund Committee — because I thought that the first in our work should be the Grand Army. We have done the best we could do this year, and it gives me a great deal of pleasure at this time to present through you to the Massachusetts Department Grand Army of the Republic, \$505.00." (Applause.)

Commander: "Madam President and Members of this delegation from the Women's Relief Corps, we thank you cordially for this token of your esteem and for the assistance you usually give us. We have got into the habit of expecting something of this sort because it always comes — (laughter) — but we thank you just the same.

"And we shall not waste this benefaction for we appreciate your efforts from year to year, not only in a financial way but in other ways that you labor for the welfare of the old comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic. We believe you are the oldest patriotic organization in existence, and we appreciate the work that you have done for forty-seven years. Kindly convey to your association our heartfelt thanks for this material gift to us, and also the wishes for your future success. I also thank you for your cooperation in the management of the affairs of the two departments during the past year; it has not been anything of very great importance that required our attention, but whatever was required to be done by your or our organization I trust it has been done as well as could be expected — by me as an amateur in the office."

Department President Corey: "I also have had a small committee that has been 'saying it with flowers' all through the year and during the convention, and I bring to you just a few roses and also a gift for you personally from the Massachusetts Department of the Women's Relief Corps. Sometimes a little bird tells us what a Commander wants, but he would not this year, so I am giving you this shiny gold piece to be something that you will remember as a gift of the Massachusetts Women's Relief Corps."

Commander: "On behalf of this Encampment I want to thank you for this beautiful nosegay of roses. It seems that your remembrance of us never ceases, for not only you favor us with material support but you strew flowers in our pathway; and I can assure you that none of us are too old yet to fail to appreciate the beauty of roses, or will cease to remember with gratitude your thoughtfulness in bringing something ornamental as well as useful, and will accept them in the spirit they are given, remembering we have with us an allied organization that has stood by us for forty-seven years, and is going to stay with us as long as any comrade exists.

"In relation to this token for my personal use, I assure you that it did not need anything of this kind from the members of the Women's Relief Corps to convince

me of the respect and love I possess. I have been closely acquainted with a great many members of your association; my wife and her sister were members of the Relief Corps, and while they lived were active in its work; so I was closely acquainted with the objects and work of the order, and I desire to assure you all that the Grand Army of the Republic appreciates you, and that I personally thank you for this gift."

Marion Bleiler, Senior Aide, Department of Massachusetts: "Commander, and my own comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, and members of this Committee, I think the previous speakers have told you how we all feel to be here, so I will not take up much of your time except to add my personal greetings and to express my best wishes for the welfare of every comrade here, and the hope that God will spare you and all belonging to the Grand Army for many years to come. I thank you."

Mrs. Margaret Richardson, of the Greetings Committee: "Dept. Commander, Department President, Department Officers and members of the Grand Army, it is indeed a great experience, and I am wonderfully happy to be invited to this assembly this morning. I am also delighted to see my own Commander and two members of my Post, Comrades Sawyer and Webber. Tonight I expect to be installed as Senior Aide for this coming year; and if there is anything I can do to assist you, I shall be more than pleased to do it."

Mrs. Grace Phipps, Chairman of G. A. R. Aides: "This is a red-letter day for me, because I had never before had the pleasure and privilege of coming before this Encampment, and I feel today that I shall never forget this experience. We have two different classes in everything, the workers — meaning the useful — and the ornamental; and as I am not ornamental I suppose I ought to devote my talents to being useful, which I try to do. But I thank you for this opportunity, and hope you will all live many, many years."

Commander: "I thank you all very much for this visit, and trust you will convey to your association the thanks of this Encampment for your continued consideration, and every wish for many happy days to come." (The delegation retires amidst applause.)

"Comrades, we will now welcome a visitation from the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War (who are formally presented to the Officers on the platform), and I will first introduce to you the National President.

"But permit me to say this: What is more fitting than that we should receive with honors a delegation from the Daughters of Union Veterans, — our daughters, grand-daughters, and possibly great-grand-daughters. As I said at their reception and meeting last night, looking over their assembly, I could not believe that such a display of youth and beauty could belong to the daughters of you old fellows. I think they all must be your grand-daughters or great-grands; and I see some in this delegation here today; they must be grand-daughters or great-grand-daughters.

"Now I have the pleasure to first present to you the National President of the Daughters of Union Veterans, Mrs. Ida E. Glasgow."

Mrs. Ida E. Glasgow: "Commander-in-Chief, Commander and Comrades of the G. A. R., I do not know of anything in this wide world calculated to make me any happier than to come into this historic building and meet you Boys in Blue.

"When I came here the first time it seemed as though my mind was in a whirl, thinking of the things that have happened in this community for the good of our country; and I wondered this morning how many of you there were whose minds went back sixty-seven years ago to the day Fort Sumter was ordered to surrender, — the beginning of the War in which you took such a prominent part — when you started something for your country which we as your Daughters and grand-daughters claim a sort of inheritance in — a thing which we are so proud of that no one can take away from us because you Boys in the 60's accomplished what you started to do.

"Our hearts are overflowing in our appreciation and our love for you; and as the Comrades who have visited our convention said that they loved us, why, what could be better? — Fifty-fifty. (Laughter) — that is just what we want. We want you to love your Daughters, and to see that we do our work in a way that you



approve of. That is our aim — our ambition, — to do all we can to please you, and to get the inspiration from you that will remain with us to the last day.

"Comrades of Massachusetts, I bring to you the greetings not only of our national organization, which I am happy to do, but also of our great State of Michigan. I hope many of you were there in 1925 and 1927, and I hope everyone can come back in 1930, because we are inviting you back. (Applause.) And when you get there you are liable to see me running about the streets somewhere; and I expect you to hail me and let me know that you are from Massachusetts.

"Now, I wish for you many years and happy years yet to come, — many years of gathering together in these reunions, because I know you have a good time, and it means so much to your Daughters. I am most happy to be here today, and I thank you." (Applause.)

Mrs. Emma B. Kaine, Past Department President of the Department of Massachusetts Daughters of Veterans: "Commander and National Commander, it is to me an honor and a great privilege to come to you today with the greetings from the Massachusetts Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War. No greater honor could be mine than to come here and look into your faces, Comrades of my father, because I am the daughter of a veteran of the Civil War.

"Comrades, we just realize that you are traveling down the western slope; so we are endeavoring in every way as a body of women to help you and comfort and cheer you in the years you shall remain with us. We like to look upon it in a happy way — not anything sorrowful, because you have had such wonderful experiences, going back to those years when as boys you stepped forth to, if necessary, lay down your lives that that banner might remain, — every star in place, and the red-white-and-blue shining on forever.

"We, too, are traveling the same road with you, but possibly our years may be longer than yours; and we shall on every occasion try to walk in the paths you have made for us, keeping always in mind that we have a heritage that none other may have; that ours is the duty to instill in the hearts and minds of the young of this land the real lessons of patriotism.

"I can go back to the years when I was President of our Daughters and my reception was held in this very hall, and the Governor stood on the platform beside me, and I looked into the faces of many times more Grand Army men than I see today. But today it is again an inspiration, and I am very grateful to my Department President for appointing me on this committee, and I hope for you God's richest blessings until the time when you shall greet your comrades just Over There — and what the reunions will be like none of us can quite foretell. I thank you." (Applause.)

Mrs. Kate E. Bray, Past Department President: "Comrades one and all, I assure you that it is a very great pleasure to me to be able to visit you in convention assembled this morning. A few years ago I had the same pleasure in another capacity, because at that time you had a Department Commander from my Post.

"I feel sure that you have had a wonderful convention this year and have enjoyed yourselves. It is also an honor to say that I am the daughter of a Massachusetts veteran, and perhaps nothing could express my feelings better than the words I heard, — that no queen on her throne could feel prouder, for with my sorrows and joys I am a daughter of a veteran, and my father was one of you Boys."

Mrs. Emma J. Dunn, Past Department President: "Comrades in convention assembled, I assure you that this is a very happy moment for me. I think I have once before visited your Encampment, and that was when I retired as Department President. But in appointing me on this committee today they had in mind the election of commander-elect Foster of Worcester, who is a member of my Post in that city, and we love Comrade Foster in Tent 3, and he comes to visit us. He has not come much lately, as he is a very busy man, but he never comes into the Tent, or ever makes a speech in Worcester, that he doesn't in some way mention the Daughters; and when I was asked to come here it was because your incoming Commander is a member of Post 10.

"Now, Commander-elect Foster, it gives me great pleasure to congratulate you



on your election, and to tender you this little bouquet. We want you to feel that we are truly daughters of the Union Veterans of the Civil War, and anything we can do for you in the coming year we are ready to do it."

Commander-elect Foster: "There is an old saying, — Say it with flowers, — and I will add that I appreciate your remembrance because it comes to me from my home town. I want you to carry back to your associates my love and respect, and assure them that it will be my utmost endeavor during the coming year to bring about conditions that will redound to the advantage of us all."

Mrs. Dunn: "I also was particularly pleased to come here and see Sister Helen, who worked with me in a former time."

Mrs. Melissa Gilman, Patriotic Instructor: "Commander and Comrades of the Grand Army, — comrades of my father — it certainly is one of the greatest pleasures of my life to come here and see you in convention assembled. It is also a great pleasure to me to come here and bring you just a little token of the esteem and love of my associates, and of the Daughters of Massachusetts, whether they are in convention or not. Commander Monk, this is just a little gift from our Daughters, and I thank you for your courtesies to me and them."

Commander: "Comrades, we shall be wealthy if this thing continues. We don't need these contributions only as it assures us that you are in sympathy with us, and really it is a very convenient thing for anyone to have, and we accept it with thanks appreciating fully the spirit and sentiment that has prompted it."

"We note that the hearts of the Daughters are surely with us, and that they compose a young and vigorous organization upon which we may have to depend considerably in the future for assistance. So again I desire to thank you, and in behalf of this Encampment for this financial help; for, Comrades, this is a check for \$300 and I am proud of the Daughters of Union Veterans. I have two daughters of my own, and one of the happy circumstances of my administration has been the establishment of a new Tent of Daughters of Veterans in my home town, which took place the night before this Encampment convened; so, therefore, I have more than two; I don't know how many, but a good many — and I want to say that I appreciate it."

"Another thing, — they conferred a great honor upon me, one which I shall never forget as long as I draw breath, and that was this, — the name upon that Tent is the name of my departed wife, who was my companion for a great many years, and I want to thank them for doing that as well as for what they are doing and going to do."

"I want to assure you that every Comrade of the Grand Army appreciates your efforts and wishes you happiness and joy and success in your organization; and you will kindly carry the greetings of this Department back with you." (The delegation retires.)

Past Dept. Commander Morrill: "My dear Commander, having been appointed by you as Chief of your personal staff, I assumed the duties of the position fully appreciating the honor conferred on me by you, and it has been a pleasure to be associated with you and with the members of the Staff."

"Following the custom of my predecessors in that position, and knowing the esteem in which you are held by my Comrades of the Staff, I invited them to give testimony of their appreciation of the honor you conferred on each, and the result you will find in the papers herewith enclosed; and as you retire from the high office you have so faithfully and satisfactorily administered may you in the years to come be accorded success, health, honor and happiness."

Commander Monk: "It was one year ago I appointed you Chief of my Staff, together with different members of Posts of the Grand Army of Massachusetts to serve as Aides. It would be more fitting for me to give them some token than for you to give something to me, for I want to compliment you on your services and thank you for what you have done in helping me to carry on in this position."

"And also the Aides that were appointed, I want to thank you for this token of appreciation, and assure you that I did not need this to know I had the hearty support and well-wishes of my Chief-of-Staff and my other Aides. But I shall long remember my administration of this year and the hearty support given me by every Comrade of the Department in all our visitations."

"I thank you all for the way you have supported me and helped me through what might have been made, if you were so disposed, a difficult position. And, Comrade Morrill, I thank you, and through you I thank the Aides for this present, and I assure you and them that long after this occasion remembrances of the event and of the past year will linger in my memory."

Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee: "I would move, sir, that the thanks of this Encampment be extended to the City of Boston for the use of this hall, and to all those who have in any way contributed to the comfort of our Comrades."

"Mrs. Marie Bateman has furnished an automobile which has been at our disposition and use through all this Encampment; and also at the door now are six autos provided by the Sons of Veterans, and friends through the Sons of Veterans, to take those of you who cannot walk up to Ford Hall to the banquet."

Commander: "It is moved and seconded that the thanks of this Encampment be tendered to the City of Boston for the use of this hall, and to all persons who have contributed to the success of the occasion in any way. (It is a unanimous vote.) I shall instruct the Assistant Adjutant General to convey those thanks individually."

Past Dept. Commander Wilder: "Your committee on greetings to the Women's Relief Corps has attended to its duty, and was royally received."

Commander: "We thank you for your attendance."

(Then followed the installation of Officers for the ensuing year by Past Commander-in-Chief Pilcher.)

(It is a matter worthy of record that in the march to the banquet hall the Comrades made a very creditable showing.)

### UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS.

This year the annual banquet was given in Ford Hall, and the tables were set for about 250 Comrades, with a head table on the stage for invited guests. These were Governor Alvan T. Fuller; Lieutenant-Governor Allen; Dr. Lewis R. Pilcher of Brooklyn, New York, representing Commander-in-Chief Hawk; Gen. W. R. Jackson, U. S. Army; Captain Jordan of the U. S. Navy; J. W. Reth, of the American Legion; Fred Loring, Dept. Spanish War Veterans; Gen. E. Leroy Sweetser; Commander-elect Edwin J. Foster; Henry J. O'Day, Department Adjutant, Veterans of Foreign Wars representing Comrade John Wallace, his Department Commander; and the Commander of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company, Gen. Lionel H. Palmer.

Commander Monk: "In the absence of the Chaplain I will request the Comrades to join with me in asking God's Blessing:

"Our Father in Heaven, we ask Thy blessing upon this gathering and upon the food that has been provided for our service. We ask Thy blessing upon our efforts in the past, and for our future success. We ask Thy blessing upon our allied organizations and the rising generation, that the institutions of our country may be recognized as coming from the higher source and approved by the Grace of God. And we thank Thee for the provision that has been made by us in the past, and for this bounty that has been provided for us here today. And we ask Thy blessing upon all these Comrades here assembled, and that their lives may be prolonged to enjoy further blessings under Thy care that have been granted to them. Amen.

(Governor Fuller arriving while the Comrades were enjoying their banquet a pause is made to hear his remarks, as another engagement had to be filled by His Excellency.)

Gov. Alvan T. Fuller: "Department Commander, Representatives of the Grand Army of the Republic, the American Legion, United States Officers and Comrades of the Massachusetts Department, I am very happy to have the privilege of bringing you the greetings of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the assurance of the love and respect of all our people.

"Each passing year witnesses the rapid depletion of your ranks. If there is one thing that the American people are unanimous upon I believe it is their appreciation of the services you rendered. And I was very happy to have the opportunity to come here with the Lieutenant-Governor today, to assure you of the high regard of the people of the state and to pay you such honor as we might.



"I wish the governor was an orator; I wish that under the constitution he had medals and things of that sort that he could grant, for if there is anything we can do to show our appreciation of the services you rendered under the leadership of the great Lincoln to save the Union, you certainly deserve it. But I cannot do more, and I would not do less than tell you of the high regard in which we hold you. And while in these days the thoughts of men seem to be principally concerned with the material pleasures of life, it was you gentlemen, and what you did, that gave us inspiration and the standard of idealism under the influence and spirit of which these young men of the American Legion responded at the time of the World War. It was the ideals these young men had also in the Spanish War which you gave them, and which have been continued and on May 30th had been brought out, to cause that emulation to make the sacrifices you made, and to follow the example you set.

"So I come to you to say modestly and briefly in the name of the people of Massachusetts that I bring you their greetings and best wishes, and for you in every way to consider us entirely at your command. God bless you and look after you, and I could have no better wish for the future success of the Republic that in any emergency that confronts us they may act in the high spirit of idealism which characterized your actions in the days of the Civil War, and by which the Union was preserved. I thank you."

(Enthusiastic applause greeted the entrance of the Governor and emphasized the end of his remarks.)

Commander: "It is an unusual circumstance that we have with us both the Governor and the Lieutenant-Governor of the Commonwealth; but we are so favored today, and I now wish to present Lieutenant-Governor Allen."

Lieutenant-Governor Allen: "Department Commander, honored guests, and members of the Grand Army, I hardly know what to say to you on behalf of the Commonwealth more than to assure you that it is with very great pleasure and a sense of the high honor in being permitted to come here with my chief, His Excellency the Governor, and to speak a brief word of respect and pay my humble honors to you the saviors of the Union. I heartily second every word my chief has said to you. He has brought some wonderful thoughts to the minds of all of us; for there is certainly nothing you may desire to have done that can be done by the Commonwealth that will not be done through His Excellency the Governor if you can let him know what your wishes are.

"I am not going to say very much, but in closing once more declare how highly honored I feel that I am permitted to be here with you today; and to say further that I for one appreciate the great debt of gratitude, and the tremendous debt of honor, that we owe to you, the men who fought for us and by your fighting saved the Union. And may we who come after you see to it that this country of ours is ever prepared for any emergency that may confront us; because through such preparation we may be permitted to enjoy the peace we so much desire and deserve, and through our preparedness we may lift the beacon light that brings everlasting peace to the whole world!" (Applause.)

Commander: "The Comrades may now resume their dinner."

(After the tables had been cleared, the gathering was called to order.)

Commander: "The first speaker I desire to call upon is obliged to leave here very soon; and let me add that if in calling upon these guests I violate precedence I wish to beg their pardon, because I am not thoroughly familiar with the order in which they should come.

"The gentleman I desire first to introduce to you is Brigadier-General Jackson of the United States Army."

General Jackson: "Mr. Commander, distinguished guests, and members of these Posts, I think it was a very fine thing that those who arranged for this dinner put it in this hall. It is my impression that this is the public hall quite often used by persons who make addresses embodying a line of thought that some of us feel is not good for our Government. Having you gentlemen here who have served your country in time of need, I think the very fact of your presence here will help to purify the atmosphere.

"We younger men who serve in Uncle Sam's Service always feel at home when we come into the presence of a society of men who also have served. We are all bound together by the same spirit and the thing that service in war always develops, and that is comradeship. It seems to me that that is one heritage that men who served fell heir to; it not only lasts them during their lives but they pass it on to their descendants.

"Right after the World War there were a great many books written, and I remember of one which expressed the sentiments of three soldiers that a great many people thought were false and different from what men in the ranks — as to the feelings expressed and the sentiments they held — and a number of prominent writers in this country and abroad expressed their opinions of what men got out of war. To me the best one was by a Canadian writer, who said that the man got out of war what he put into it, — service, appreciation, this undying spirit of comradeship which is really the motivating cause of the formation of these military societies; and I have served long enough to know just how much pleasure you gentlemen get from these yearly Encampments where you can talk over experiences of the Civil War. The best time I have in the year is when I go back to my Ohio Division; but I have noticed one thing, even with my comrades, that as the years go on the stories are a little bit larger — the bullets thicker on a particular occasion — the shells came a little bit faster.

"However, it is pleasant to be here — for all of us, and I thank you for the privilege of addressing you today."

Commander: "I desire now to present to you the distinguished representative of our Commander-in-Chief. He has another engagement, and therefore I call upon him now to address you. I have the honor to present Comrade Lewis G. Pilcher of New York, Past Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic."

(A very welcoming brand of applause was given.)

Dr. Pilcher: "Mr. Commander, my fellow Guests, and my Comrades of the Grand Army, I can imagine that the first thought in your minds when the presiding officer announced who was to be the speaker was — Well, have we got to hear from him again?

"I landed here yesterday morning, and I have been kept on the 'go' ever since, and have been pumped pretty dry —

"Comrades, you cannot imagine how much pleasure I have derived from the associations of these past two days. I remember how much I enjoyed being with you when I was Commander-in-Chief, and that has been a perennial enjoyment from that time to the present, for memories of it have been with me — and always attended by great pleasure. Now to be able to renew that after these years that have passed, and to find so many of those then here still present and able to join in the celebration of such an event as this, the yearly coming together of the Comrades of the Grand Army from all over the Commonwealth of Massachusetts — it is very gratifying indeed!

"Comrades, it is a very pleasant thing to be a Commander-in-Chief, and I wish you could all be Commanders-in-Chief; some of you perhaps will be yet if you live long enough; and from present appearances there is no telling how long we shall live, and there may be a chance for some of you still to have some of those pleasures.

"One of the greatest sources of gratification connected with being Commander-in-Chief is the widespread acquaintance which it gives me with the entire membership of the Grand Army the whole country over. When we can reflect that we know men in New Hampshire, that we know men in Florida, in Louisiana, in Tennessee, Georgia, Arkansas and Missouri; that all through the North, — in Connecticut, New York, Pennsylvania and Ohio and Wisconsin and Minnesota and the great states of the plains; that all over this whole vast expanse of our country the Commander-in-Chief has the opportunity of meeting and knowing personally the Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic — it is a very great thing.

"Now, the one thing I want to speak of particularly at the present moment, which remains in my mind as the chief thing connected with this wide acquaintance with my Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic is what lies back of our apprecia-



tion of your manhood. It certainly is not money — it certainly is not learning — it is not political attainment; but the one great thing which lingers in our hearts in our appreciation of each other is — character!

"And I ask these comrades of other Service and of other years to look out upon this assemblage today, remembering that here are only a few score men of whom there are 80,000 still living in this broad land of ours, but that this is a fair cross-section of what the effect on the character of men who served their country sixty odd years ago is. And can you find any body of men that will show upon their countenances more positively and expressively the high character you see here today? And yet you are simply examples of what I have found the whole country over; and my pride — or source of pride in being Past Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic is that it has given me the opportunity of making the acquaintance of men of the highest character, — representative of the highest plane to which mankind can possibly attain.

"I have seen assemblies of all kinds; I have been in all countries; I have traveled the world over and have seen the best of men, but nowhere have I ever bowed down with such reverence to men of the highest character as when I get into the presence of my Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic! (Great applause.)

"I congratulate you, therefore, my Comrades, that you are still alive, and that the country can still point to you as living examples of the highest type of American manhood!"

(Renewed and long continued applause.)

Commander: "The next speaker I shall present to you is Captain Jordan of the United States Navy."

Captain Jordan: "Comrades and Guests, I feel greatly honored on this occasion to represent Admiral Andrews, and also to be called 'Comrade.'

"My responsibility at such a juncture as this I feel very heavily, — something like the man who was ringing the bell on a light-ship during a fog. There was a Division destroyer coming up the Sound traveling at about 20 miles an hour, and they were at first about 200 yards apart; but just as the destroyer side-swiped the light-ship there was the man ringing the bell, and when the destroyer hitched ahead the man ran away. Just then the captain came up and says 'Ring that bell; there's another one coming.' And that's the way I feel, — waiting for another one to come. (Laughter.)

"Following the thought of your representative from the Commander-in-Chief, that character means everything and that your character is preëminent in the United States, I would say that we all live by example, and the Navy today is trying to follow your example."

Commander: "The next speaker will be General Sweetser."

Gen. Leroy Sweetser: "Commander and gentlemen, here is the 'other one' that the Captain spoke about, although he didn't tell that story as he told it to me, and I don't know why he didn't. He told it the way a general of the army would have said it in giving the order to the man, — Why in hell don't you ring that bell?"

(A Voice: That sounds more like it.)

Gen. Sweetser (continuing): "I am more at home among you gentlemen, probably, than the representative from the Navy is, but I have been having a hard time here generally because I have been sitting between two *wets*, — the Navy wet on water and the Ancient and Honorable Artillery is a *wet* on something else. (Laughter.) I am the only *dry* here, and I am afraid that my talk will be dry also.

"It is a great privilege for me to be invited here again today. It was just eleven years ago that you invited me the last time in April of 1917, — just before we went away in the World War, and it was an inspiration then, and the Grand Army has always been an inspiration ever since the Civil War.

"They can praise you, and they do praise you, and tell you how you fought in the Civil War, and you can tell them how much better you did it than they can tell; but really your work only began then, and it has continued for sixty odd years, and you cannot begin to realize the great good you have done to the nation since the Civil War. The inspiration, the spirit of patriotism, love of country, and loyalty to the flag — all have been exemplified not only by your organization but by your

very lives and your uniform. I know because I am one of those that has felt that inspiration in time of war, and felt it also in others who have served.

"My father was a veteran, and it was the Grand Army Post of the city in which I lived, when the Spanish War broke out, that escorted us away that time. And when we went to the Mexican border the same Post escorted us, and each time they met us when we came back. And it was the same in the World War; they escorted us to the depot, and met us at the ship when we returned. Three of the men that escorted me on those three occasions I see in the hall here today, — Commander Morrill, Comrade Batchelder, and Comrade Monroe over there. They started me off on three occasions, and the men that went into those wars carried the spirit that you emulate — that you gave to them by not only your service in war but your services in times of peace; and as your flesh and your strength grows weaker it seems to me that that spirit of yours grows stronger and stronger, and I trust that during the next year and the years to come you will assemble here and continue to look as well as you do today." (Applause.)

Commander: "Comrades, the next speaker I desire to present to you is Frederick W. Loring, Department Commander of the Spanish War Veterans. Commander Loring."

Frederick W. Loring: "Comrades, Commander, and distinguished guests, and Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, — it is with feelings of intense delight that I embrace my privilege today as Department Commander of the United Spanish Veterans to bring our greetings to a larger veteran organization.

"The Spanish Veterans expect sometime in the future to take a place in the hearts of the people of this country that you comrades hold today; but while we look forward to that time we cannot hope to command as much respect as you do, because that can never be. It makes no difference what veteran organization exists today, or may come in the future, it is my opinion that no veteran organization in the history of our country will ever command the love, respect and honor that the Grand Army of the Republic has in its hold upon our people. (Applause.)

"The Department Commander of a veteran organization receives a great many invitations to be present at functions of this character, and sometimes it is difficult to leave business to attend them, and we have to turn them over to junior officers; but when I received the invitation to be present today at this dinner I accepted it with a great deal of pleasure, because it was an opportunity to come and spend a few hours in the company of comrades who served in the Civil War with my father and grandfather, and I felt I would be paying a sort of silent tribute to their memory to come here in this way.

"The spirit of cooperation between the Grand Army of the Republic and the United Spanish Veterans has always been pleasing, and we younger veterans have tried in all the years we have existed to be helpful to you, and have always looked to you for advice and the teachings which you have exemplified all through the years. It was your teaching of patriotism, your example of devotion to the flag of our country, that prompted every Spanish Veteran to volunteer in 1898, and we know that we shall never forget your loyalty to our country and the great good you have done to preserve the Union; and I am sure that every person in the United States recognizes the great work you have done for our country.

"The friendly feeling between our two organizations will always exist, the same as we hope will exist between our organization and the Veterans of the World War. We are all veterans of one common cause, to uphold the principles of patriotism, the ideals of our country, and as veterans working along those lines we feel sure that can be accomplished very readily.

"In Massachusetts, as some of you know, there is a Bill in the Legislature to provide a home for comrades and their wives when the time comes that they would like a place to spend together. The Spanish Veterans are interested in that Bill, because it is something that will benefit our comrades of the Grand Army, and I am glad to tell you that the chairman of my Legislative Committee has been one of the most ardent workers on that Bill in the hearings, and that he still intends to be on that job right up until the Bill is passed. That home ought to have been provided twenty-five years ago for wives in their declining years, and I think it will



be a blot on the fair name of Massachusetts if anything happens that that Bill is not passed. Comrades of the Grand Army know that in future years when necessary they can retire to this home with their wives and enjoy that companionship for their last remaining days.

"I am glad to be here and to see so many comrades present, and that you look so young; and I believe in the words of your representative from the Commander-in-Chief, that *character* is wholly responsible for your good looks today." (Applause.)

Commander: "We shall now be glad to hear from the Ancient and Honorable Artillery officer, Lionel H. Palmer."

Hon. Lionel H. Palmer: "Mr. Commander, distinguished guests, gentlemen of the G. A. R. When I got up this morning I didn't feel quite full of pep, for I began to realize I was 50 years old, — quite an old man. But, gentlemen, after the last two hours spent in your company I realize I am still a kid. You don't know what an inspiration it is for a man — of my age, and who begins to think he is getting old — to sit among a group of men full of pep and ambition like that of you members of the Grand Army.

"It is a great pleasure, I assure you, to bring you the greetings of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Co. You know the Ancients are not like yourselves a veteran organization; the Ancients are solely a historic organization, and what makes the Ancients is the fact that the members of the veteran organizations affiliate themselves with them and keep alive these traditions, — traditions dating back to the very founding of this country, and carrying and holding it right through the wars up to the World War; and it is this membership you have provided with that of the more recent wars, that makes it possible for the Ancients to exist up to this time.

"We have had among our organization's oldest members some men whose memory will live forever; I refer to members of the Grand Army of the Republic. I will refer to only two now, but this last year has thrown a shadow on our company when we recall the death of Payson Bradley and Major Maynard. One of them was a commander that served our company in wonderful manner, and the late Major Maynard served in our organization for fifty-one years, although not a commander.

"Now, gentlemen, it is men like yourselves — and I felt so good when the Commander-in-Chief's representative referred to you as men — as dominating figures of your time; because it is men like you that make an organization like yours, and it is your membership that makes, and will continue to make, the Ancients.

"Commander, I want to thank you for permitting me to be here today and extend to you men not only the high regard in which you are held by our organization, but to assure you that as we know your numbers cannot increase we do hope that they won't diminish; for we love to know and see you among us, and unless you are present at the Ancient and Honorable functions we are not happy! I thank you." (Great applause.)

Commander: "Let us vary the program a little by singing 'We're the Boys.' (Whereupon Comrade Wetherbee leads off with the verses and the Comrades join lustily in the chorus.)

"I now have the honor and great pleasure of presenting to you John W. Reth, Commander of the American Legion."

Commander J. W. Reth: "Commander, Commander-in-Chief, and comrades, the American Legion which I represent here is somewhat like the young boy sitting at the footstool and drinking in education and experience from his father.

"We of the American Legion, the youngsters of it all are, as Comrade Sweetser has told you, a product of your creation; we have all of us from our very birth, thought and seen and drank in from our school-rooms, from our class-rooms, from our college, and from our church the inspiration and the fine lessons that you of the Grand Army have sought to give. We are the creation, — that product of American youth which you sought in your finer dreams and expectations to inculcate with the vision you had as a younger generation — when you were at the age we are now. And if the American Legion in the progress of time and the evolution of this country of ours is to be the success that you have been, it is because it will have taken in the lessons and the teachings which you of the Grand Army have

sent on to our comrades of the Spanish War, who in turn have sent them on to us.

"I know that the child that has been taught in us will live the life that you have taught us to live. And so in the associations of the short eight years we have been in existence I have observed the emulation of that same spirit you were able to promote; I have seen them taking those lessons seriously, guarding against pitfalls, taking advantage of those lessons and consequently making the greater advance thereby.

"We shall profit better following the trail you have laid, and I can assure you from each and every man of the American Legion, and from each and every lady of the American Legion Auxiliary that we shall endeavor with all the strength that God has given us to follow the lessons and to perpetuate those teachings which you have imparted to us; so that we may carry on to posterity the things that the Grand Army has made so dear to us when we have arrived at the age of mature judgment — of mature manhood — and are able to recognize the really fine spirit that has characterized all that you have suggested to us.

"And your Memorial Day, as long as there is breath in our bodies, shall be carried on to posterity, never allowed to deteriorate or be transferred or merged with anything, but shall be a heritage that we shall preserve in memory of you. (Applause.) And adhering to that thought, adhering to that purpose, may God give us strength and courage to continue. I thank you." (Applause.)

Commander: "The next speaker I desire to present for your attention is Henry J. O'Day, Department Adjutant of the Veterans of Foreign Wars."

Henry J. O'Day: "Commander, Commander-in-Chief, honored guests and Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, — there is an old saying that an ill-wind must bring some one some good, and that is the fact today; because, although our Department Commander is not here, it is my good fortune to represent him.

"His absence is due to the circumstance that he has been so active in Veteran work for the past nine months he has finally weakened under the strain, and now is experiencing a slight illness — almost a nervous breakdown, so that his doctor has recommended that he take a month's leave of absence. But he told me to be sure and convey to you his sincere regrets on not being able to attend this Encampment, and also to bring you his personal greetings, as well as the greetings of all the Comrades through the Department and the state, and to assure you that we all love you and will always be willing to cooperate and assist you in any way possible.

"I didn't know, or I did not realize, until the representative from the 1st Corps Area spoke that this meeting was being held in the meeting place of the famous liberalists, — the Ford Hall forum. In the past, as I have read the reports of some of those meetings, I have experienced a chill; but after watching and listening to what has gone on today I must say that I am greatly inspired by the warmth of it all, and that splendid demonstration of comradeship when this assemblage arose to sing that wonderful buddy-song of yours certainly inspired me greatly also.

"We, in this country, citizens and Veterans, love all the traditions, and we love all the words that may tend to bring to us feelings of patriotism. We love that word *American* because we all pride ourselves in the possession of America; and we love the word *Union* because you really gave that word to us in its full significance; and we love the word *Liberty*, but when some of these so-called liberal organizations combine a few of these words to confuse the public — then as a member of a patriotic organization I am very much opposed to them! (Applause.)

"If anyone goes into the matter of radicalism, liberalism, or anything having the earmarks of Bolshevism, he will find a lot to interest him. They don't put all their efforts into the underclass, — the laboring class — Oh, no! That is mere camouflage. They are wiser than that. They are plotting from the top down, and not from the bottom up; and that is why you see many of the moneyed people of this and other states, — so many of the intelligensia interested.

"Not long ago there was a lot of publicity about some lady in the association termed the Daughters of the American Revolution, who had challenged the accuracy of a certain 'black-list' containing the names of prominent people all over the country, this lady declaring that some names certainly should not be there,



though some of them should; but assuredly that her husband's name ought not to be, etc.; and the newspapers have been discussing the situation ever since.

"Now, such controversy can be stopped through Veteran organizations; that is the best medium of correction,—all such organizations, the Spanish War, the American Legion, the Veterans of Foreign Wars—we all have our 'Americanization' program though it is not systematized; we are all working on different lines. There is only one way by which we can do it, and that is to cooperate and work together; and in our convention next June I intend to bring before that convention a resolution requesting the Governor or the Legislature to appoint a special commission, composed of representatives from the United Spanish War Veterans, the American Legion, and my own organization, to go into this and give the public adequate and correct information and plenty of publicity for the Bolsheviks, the liberals and the radicals.

"Now, Comrades of the Grand Army, I love to come among you. I see here two men who were old friends of mine from Brookline,—a commander and another friend; they probably did not recognize me at first. But I love you all, and all the comrades of my organization love you; and I certainly hope, if we can be of assistance to you, that you will call on us at any time. I thank you." (Applause.)

Commander: "I am going to present to you for the final speaker our new Commander-elect. We have a list of newly elected officers, but as the time is getting late it will be impossible to give them all an opportunity to speak. However, they have two or three years before them, and we will close this meeting after you hear from your new Commander, Edwin J. Foster of Post 10 of Worcester."

Commander Edwin J. Foster: "My dear old Comrades, I know you must be weary, and yet the noise that I just listened to does not indicate that you have been very much weakened by this session of festivity and oratory. But I am going to be with you for the ensuing year—God permitting—and I shall have the opportunity to talk to you and with you, and therefore do not feel that I should occupy very much time now.

"But I do want to say to you Comrades that I have received a great deal of inspiration by being here today and listening to the Boys of the different organizations, beginning with the Spanish War, the World War—and then the Army and the Navy. And I would not forget our genial friend from the organization that stands at the head of all—in a proud manner of feeling that we belong to the oldest of those represented here, barring, of course, the Ancients.

"And it is well that we feel that way, being American citizens as well as veterans of a war. But I am especially pleased to find this younger generation willing to fight for the great principle of patriotism; and it seems to me that every one of you ought to go home today feeling that we have received fresh inspiration, because we have been trying to get our boys to understand what our country means to them today. And I don't know, but the last speaker has impressed me quite strongly along the lines of the right and proper way to touch upon this question of patriotism.

"I think that I am a member of the order to which the Veteran of Foreign Wars belongs, and I have taken a great deal of interest in their work. Some two years ago when speaking at one of our banquets I talked along that line of patriotism, and after I had gotten through a young boy got up and said, 'Mr. Toastmaster, I beg the opportunity to come up and pin a badge on this Comrade's breast,' and I am sorry I have not got it on today; if I knew they were to be here I certainly would have worn it, for I am proud of it. For an hour I talked in regard to bringing about a union of all the foreign war veterans. And why not?—We fought all of us under the same flag, and we are all proud to have brought that flag back to our constituents. Why not be all together and fight all together for what we have to fight for, if we are to keep this country in the condition we old Boys would like to see it before we pay the last debt.

"It was my good fortune in the city of Worcester where I live, when our latest paper came out for building a monument for the World War boys, something that had been too long delayed, and—when I read the article I said that is what I have been talking about for the past two years,—to honor these boys. This Government promised just the same to these young men as it promised to us when we

went out, and, as has been said today, the promise lasted only a few months after we got home and then they were forgotten. Well, that piece impressed me so much I sat down and wrote my check and forwarded it to the editor of the paper, saying — That meets my views — these boys are entitled to honor — they went at the country's call — they should be memorialized, and it has been too long delayed.

"The editor gave me a nice write-up on it, and he gave me the credit of being the first one who donated to the monument. And so it does seem to me we must encourage not only the United Spanish War Veterans but the World War Veterans because of this sentiment they have expressed, acknowledging that the Old Boys made it possible to have this grand country of ours to live in today. They have given us that credit; therefore I feel that because by their actions they are showing to us the respect they have, by having the different organizations in harmony with us along the lines we are trying to make the country understand today, or those who represent it in Washington, — that we are not begging but assuming that the widows and old comrades shall have that which was promised to them. That is all. (Applause.)

"And when I say that to you I know that by united action along those lines, and only by that, can it be accomplished. So I say to the Boys today, and I am sorry they are not all here to hear me, — God bless them — we are thankful they are with us — and we are so thankful today for anyone who will declare himself as an American citizen. I thank you." (Applause.)

Commander Monk: "Just one word. I wish to here thank the Comrades, as I shall not probably have the opportunity again of seeing so many together in one body as are here now, — to thank you for the cooperation extended to me in my administration. I have had the cooperation and support of every Comrade in the Department of Massachusetts, and I thank you heartily for it; it has been an enjoyable year to me, and I retire from this office in a happy frame of mind, and with a heart that goes out to every Comrade here!" (Great applause.)

Commander Foster: "Now join me before you go in giving three cheers for our departing Commander just about to leave."

(These are given with great good will.)

Commander Monk: "I thank you, Comrades."

(And so the 62d Encampment, Department of Massachusetts Grand Army of the Republic, ended.)

## GENERAL ORDERS.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS,  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, STATE HOUSE,  
BOSTON, April 14, 1927.

GENERAL ORDERS, }  
No. 1. }

I. Having been elected Commander of the Department of Massachusetts Grand Army of the Republic, I hereby assume command.

II. The following officers were elected:

*Department Commander* — HENRY A. MONK, Post 87, South Braintree.

*Senior Vice-Commander* — EDWIN J. FOSTER, Post 10, Worcester.

*Junior Vice-Commander* — JAMES H. WEBB, Post 88, Quincy.

*Medical Director* — JOHN GILBERT, M.D., Post 46, Fall River.

*Chaplain* — REV. GEORGE W. NEAD, Post 169, Norwood.

## Council of Administration:

CHARLES L. ROBINSON, Post 4, Melrose.

DAVID KING, Post 15, Boston.

JAMES F. FLYNN, Post 26, Roxbury.

A. OTIS CHAMBERLIN, Post 30, Cambridge.

HENRI BATCHELDER, Post 156, Everett.

**III. Appointed Officers:**

*Assistant Adjutant-General* — WILFRED A. WETHERBEE, Post 62, Newton.  
*Assistant Quartermaster-General* — EUGENE D. SANBORN, Post 15, Boston.  
*Judge Advocate* — HENRY W. MASON, Post 190, New Bedford.  
*Inspector* — GEORGE W. COREY, Post 168, Southbridge.  
*Chief Mustering Officer* — ROSWELL C. POWERS, Post 116, Gardner.  
*Patriotic Instructor* — JOHN W. BEAN, Post 145, Attleboro.  
*Chief-of-Staff* — EDWIN F. MORRILL, Post 156, Everett.  
*Headquarters Clerk* — HELEN A. PHINNEY, Past Department President,  
 Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

**IV. Office Hours.** 9 A.M. to 4 P.M. Saturdays, 9 to 12 A.M.

**V. Aides-de-Camp.** Post Commanders are requested to send AT ONCE to these headquarters, names and addresses of Comrades to serve as Aides on the staff of the Department Commander.

**VI. Requisitions.** All requisitions for supplies must be accompanied by check, money order or cash to pay for same.

**VII.** All checks, money orders, etc., **must be made payable to Wilfred A. Wetherbee, Assistant Adjutant-General.** Quartermasters will take due notice and govern themselves accordingly.

**VIII.** The Department Commander will be at Headquarters Thursdays from 11 to 12 A.M.

**IX.** All official correspondence and invitations should be addressed to Wilfred A. Wetherbee, State House, Room 27, Boston.

**X.** At the Encampment held in Boston, April 6, 1926, it was unanimously voted that, "The PER CAPITA TAX from Posts to the Department WILL NOT BE REQUIRED IN THE FUTURE."

Commanders are requested to have this order read at Post meeting.

**XI.** The following Representatives and Alternates for the next National Encampment were elected at the Department Encampment:

<i>Delegate-at-Large</i>		<i>Alternate-at-Large</i>	
James F. Flynn, Post 26.		Edwin H. Lincoln, Post 125.	
<i>Representatives</i>		<i>Alternates</i>	
	<i>Post</i>		<i>Post</i>
DISTRICT No. 1.			
John Gilbert, M.D.	46	John Spare	190
John J. Ryder	203	Edward Hague	46
DISTRICT No. 2.			
Jason B. Hersey	74	Samuel J. Wade	13
Alvin C. Howes	8	John F. Hatch	74
DISTRICT No. 3.			
John E. Bronson	144	Nat. S. Barry	102
William B. Webber	143	Prince A. Phinney	143
DISTRICT No. 4.			
George L. Hall	2	John Lynn	15
David King	15	Frank H. Bell	26
W. A. Copeland	26	Albert A. Nickerson	35



*Representatives**Post**Alternates**Post*

## DISTRICT No. 5.

Alexander S. Wright . . . . .	5	William Dodge . . . . .	5
William E. Carlton . . . . .	49	C. O. Kelley . . . . .	47
John A. Brackett . . . . .	146	Amos Bradford . . . . .	146
Charles Peel . . . . .	49		

## DISTRICT No. 6.

Francis J. O'Reilly . . . . .	56	Orrin Stone . . . . .	40
Henri Batchelder . . . . .	156	Dudley L. Page . . . . .	42
A. Otis Chamberlin . . . . .	30	A. C. Ambler . . . . .	63
W. C. M. Howe . . . . .	194	James Beatty . . . . .	29

## DISTRICT No. 7.

John W. Fairbanks . . . . .	80	George S. Whitney . . . . .	22
A. A. Buxton . . . . .	19	Genery T. Darling . . . . .	10
George W. Corey . . . . .	168	Charles S. Houghton . . . . .	53

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Per order,

HENRY A. MONK,  
*Department Commander.*

W. A. WETHERBEE,  
*Assistant Adjutant-General.*

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS,  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, STATE HOUSE,  
BOSTON, April 23, 1927.

GENERAL ORDERS, }  
No. 2.

## COMRADES:

Let us hail with joy the coming of Spring with its wealth of flowers by levying tribute thereon and by scattering them upon the green tents which shelter all that is mortal of those whose deeds made it possible that we, our children and our children's children, may live in a land that recognizes but one flag and that flag the Stars and Stripes of the United States.

Had our honored comrade, John A. Logan, when Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic in 1868, performed no other act to prove his greatness than that one in which he penned General Orders No. 11, calling upon his comrades to garland with flowers the graves of departed comrades, he would have immortalized his name and endeared himself to every loyal American heart. Gladly did his comrades obey those orders and year by year that duty has been faithfully performed by our organization, as well as by other patriotic bodies, on the day designated.

In compliance with General Orders from National Headquarters, Monday, May 30, will be observed by the Posts of this Department, and by patriotic citizens generally as Memorial Day.



Let it be a day for thought and reflection upon the causes which have made it necessary.

The thirtieth day of May should be observed as a holy day and not a holiday.

As we plant the flags and decorate with flowers the resting place of our beloved comrades, let us not forget the grand objects for which they fought and suffered.

II. All flags should be placed at half mast May 30th until 12 o'clock noon, when they should be hoisted to full mast.

III. Post Commanders should see that Past Commander-in-Chief Logan's General Orders No. 11 and Lincoln's address at Gettysburg are made a part of Memorial Day exercises.

IV. The usual service of Memorial Sabbath should be held on Sunday May 22nd, in accordance with National General orders. Invitations should be extended to our allied organizations, also to the Spanish War Veterans, American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars to accompany the Post and also to participate in the services.

Per order,

HENRY A. MONK,  
*Department Commander.*

W. A. WETHERBEE,  
*Assistant Adjutant-General.*

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS,  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, STATE HOUSE,  
BOSTON, May 5, 1927.

GENERAL ORDERS, }  
No. 3.

Posts will note a change of date of Memorial Sunday. The Commander-in-Chief when visiting the Department Encampment in April stated the date of Memorial Sunday would be on May 22nd and that date was designated in General Orders No. 2.

In National General Orders No. 4, just received, the Commander-in-Chief has named May 29th as Memorial Sunday.

Posts having already completed their arrangements for May 22nd may use their discretion as to which date they will observe as Memorial Sunday.

Per order,

HENRY A. MONK,  
*Department Commander.*

W. A. WETHERBEE,  
*Assistant Adjutant-General.*

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS,  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, STATE HOUSE,  
BOSTON, July 9, 1927.

GENERAL ORDERS, }  
No. 4.

**National Encampment.** The Sixty-first National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic will be held in Grand Rapids, Michigan, during the week of September 11 to 17.

The official Department Train will leave the South Station, Boston, Saturday, September 10 at 9.30 A.M., RAILROAD TIME, via B. & A., N. Y. Central and Michigan Central lines, arriving at Grand Rapids at 6 A.M., Sunday September 11. Train leaves Framingham at 10.05 A.M., Worcester 10.40 A.M., Springfield 12.05 Noon, Pittsfield 1.55 P.M., Albany 3.25 P.M.

Tickets for the round trip from Boston to Grand Rapids and return \$31.83, Framingham, \$31.05, Worcester, \$30.23, Springfield, \$28.29, Pittsfield, \$26.40.

Sleeping Car, lower berths, \$9.00; upper berth, \$7.20; drawing room, \$31.50. From Springfield, lower berth, \$8.25; upper, \$6.60. EARLY RESERVATIONS OF BERTHS MUST BE MADE OF W. A. Wetherbee, Room 27, State House. Tickets on sale

September 7th. Ticket limit October 27th. Stop-overs allowed at any point en route.

**Identification Certificate.** Tickets cannot be purchased except on presentation of Identification certificate issued by the Railway Association and which can be obtained from the Assistant Adjutant-General, Room 27, State House, Boston.

**WHO MAY GO.** The official train will be for the accommodation of members of the Grand Army, its allied organizations, and their families.

For the RETURN TRIP, parties will make their own arrangements.

Parties desiring rooms at Grand Rapids, should address Walter L. Funk, Hotel Pantlind.

Department Headquarters in Boston will be closed from September 9 to September 27.

Department Headquarters in Grand Rapids will be in ROOM 322, HOTEL PANTLIND.

**Delegates, Attention!** There will be a meeting of those entitled to seats in the National Encampment in Headquarters, Room 322, Hotel Pantlind, at 5 P.M., Tuesday, September 13. CREDENTIALS will be distributed at this meeting. Important business will be transacted and every voting member is expected to be present. DELEGATES WHO CANNOT ATTEND THE ENCAMPMENT are requested to notify the Assistant Adjutant-General AT ONCE, in order that the vacancies may be filled.

It is the wish of the Department Commander that comrades remove all decorations from their coats, DURING THE PARADE, excepting the official G. A. R. badge. He asks the comrades to comply with this wish.

The following-named comrades are hereby appointed as Aides on the Staff of the Department Commander. They will be obeyed and respected accordingly.

	Post		Post
Welcome B. Aldrich . . . . .	145	Rufus I. Jones . . . . .	110
Nat. S. Barry . . . . .	102	Cornelius J. Linnehan . . . . .	5
Leonard Boyd . . . . .	62	James S. Mitchell . . . . .	121
W. A. Copeland . . . . .	26	James F. McElroy . . . . .	72
Milton Coffin . . . . .	34	John L. Nicholson . . . . .	156
David Dunbar . . . . .	58	Albert A. Nickerson . . . . .	35
Robert Frampton . . . . .	121	Charles O. Newell . . . . .	7
Hiram S. Faunce . . . . .	110	William R. Reed . . . . .	163
George A. Gay . . . . .	195	F. J. O'Reilly . . . . .	56
George F. Goldthwait . . . . .	89	J. L. Robinson . . . . .	63
Edward Hague . . . . .	46	David W. Steingardt . . . . .	5
L. W. Heath . . . . .	22	Alvin F. Tolman . . . . .	81
		William B. Webber . . . . .	143

Per order,

HENRY A. MONK,  
Department Commander.

W. A. WETHERBEE,  
Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS,  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, STATE HOUSE,  
BOSTON, Aug. 15, 1927.

GENERAL ORDERS, }  
No. 5.

THE ANNUAL ELECTION of Post Officers and of Representatives and Alternates to the next Department Encampment, must be held at the first stated meeting in October.

The ratio of Representatives in the Encampment is as follows: one Representative and one Alternate for every twenty members in good standing Oct. 1, 1926, with one additional Representative and Alternate for the fraction of more than one-half that number; but every Post is entitled to at least one Representative and one Alternate.

As Post Commander and Senior and Junior Vice Commander are by virtue of their office, members of the Encampment, they should NOT be elected as Representatives.

Credential Blanks and Quartermaster's Bond are enclosed herein and the former should be filled out properly, INCLUDING THE NAMES of the LIVING PAST POST COMMANDERS and should be mailed IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE ELECTION of officers to these Headquarters.

The OBITUARY and ANNUAL REPORT BLANKS will not be made out till December 31, as usual.

The Installations shall take place at the FIRST MEETING in November. Names of Installing officers must be sent to these Headquarters on or before October 15th, in order that they may be given out in General orders to be issued October 20th.

The following named Comrades are hereby appointed as Aides on the Staff of the Department Commander. They will be obeyed and respected accordingly.

	Post		Post
George H. Carpenter . . . .	1	J. A. Moulton . . . .	75
John C. Chase . . . .	3	Charles H. Arnum . . . .	79
Asa Child . . . .	4	Lewis Josselyn . . . .	83
Daniel B. Rose . . . .	9	Henry M. Hitchcock . . . .	85
Sidney Whitney . . . .	14	Seth W. Kingsley . . . .	86
William B. Covill . . . .	16	James Ryan . . . .	94
Harry Isaacs . . . .	26	Geo. W. Caswell . . . .	95
James E. Brackett . . . .	29	James L. Bates . . . .	104
Milton G. Litchfield . . . .	31	Willard Wood . . . .	105
Edmund Stillman . . . .	34	Ellery C. Crocker . . . .	117
Moses J. Keller . . . .	35	Willis A. Crossman . . . .	125
John S. Preston . . . .	48	Isaac S. Mullen . . . .	134
Franklin Larrabee . . . .	50	Isaac L. Ford . . . .	138
Henry A. White . . . .	70	George N. Alden . . . .	190
William Brown . . . .	71	S. Minot Crane . . . .	193
Ward Otis . . . .	81	S. P. Cutter . . . .	35
L. S. Cleaveland . . . .	81	John E. Wharton . . . .	35
W. W. Buxton . . . .	19		

In response to a number of suggestions that have come to these Headquarters regarding the burial of Comrades:

The Department Commander will repeat the announcement: "That, in the event of the death of a Comrade, and his family request the rendering of the Grand Army service at his funeral, if conditions exist whereby there are no Comrades able to perform the service, the officers of either of our allied orders may so act, until this order shall be revoked."

Per order,

HENRY A. MONK,  
Department Commander.

W. A. WETHERBEE,  
Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS,  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, STATE HOUSE,  
BOSTON, Oct. 20, 1927.

GENERAL ORDERS, }  
No. 6.

I. The sixty-first National Encampment, held at Grand Rapids, Michigan, September 11th to September 17th, has passed into history, but to those who participated, it will ever remain a pleasant memory.

Fifty Comrades were in line in the Grand Parade, and notwithstanding the intense heat of ninety-four degrees, every comrade was in line at the finish.

The Commander hereby expresses his thanks to all who took part, for their



splendid discipline, uniform appearance and fine marching, thereby adding to the high reputation this department has achieved in past years.

The Representatives are most highly commended for their faithful attendance at the sessions of the Encampment. The full voting strength of the Encampment was recorded in every vote taken from the opening to the closing of the Encampment, and the Commander feels a just pride in making this fact known.

Next National Encampment at Denver, Colorado. Round trip ticket, \$74.01.

II. On recommendation of Roswell C. Powers, Chief Mustering Officer, the following named Comrades are hereby detailed to install officers of the Posts indicated:

Henry A. Monk, Dept. Commander, 58, 72, 74, 89.

Wilfred A. Wetherbee, Assistant Adjutant-General, 15, 62, 63, 68, 81, 87, 92, 94, 143, 190, 200.

Henry Clark, Past Dept. Commander, 5, 49, 66, 139, 156.

Edwin F. Morrill, Past Dept. Commander, 1, 7, 56, 144, 36.

George W. Wilder, Past Dept. Commander, 26.

Alfred H. Knowles, Past Dept. Commander, 194.

E. G. Bly, 114

A. A. Buxton, 19

Rupert J. Chute, 169

Genery T. Darling, 10, 70, 77

C. V. Goddard, 17, 123

George A. Gay, 195

Joshua S. Gray, 78

D. F. Hamilton, 174

L. B. Hastings, 140

Henry N. Hopkins, 3, 46, 145, 170

George A. Hosley, 11

Alvin C. Howes, 76

Rufus I. Jones, 110

James S. Mitchell, 88

William H. Morgan, 2, 50, 106

Edwin A. Newton, 22

Albert A. Nickerson, 30, 35, 159

Dudley L. Page, 120

Walter S. Parker, 12

Charles H. Poole, 73

O. J. Randlett, 39

Daniel D. Rose, 9

Edward B. Savage, 47

Walter H. Smith, 8

S. C. Trull, 75

III. Installation service shall be held at the first stated meeting in November, or it may be held publicly at a special meeting held for that purpose, at which no part of the opening or closing service shall be used.

POST COMMANDERS SHOULD AT ONCE COMMUNICATE WITH THEIR INSTALLING OFFICER, giving time and place of meeting.

In the absence of the Mustering Officer, any National or Department Officer can act in any Post, or the Senior Past Post Commander can act in his own Post. Expenses of mustering officer must be paid by the Post.

With this order is transmitted a blank report of installing officer. Adjutants should have this report made out and hand it to the installing officer.

The Annual reports will not be due until December. Blanks for this report will be forwarded in due time.

*Post Commanders must see that the Credential Report is forwarded to these Headquarters immediately.*

IV. For the information of Posts and to prevent any misunderstanding, the following abstract from the Rules and Regulations is hereby submitted:

The Rules and Regulations of the Grand Army of the Republic does not permit the election to office in a Post any person who is not a member of the Grand Army of the Republic. The National Encampment has provided that the Adjutant and Quartermaster may employ any person not a member of the Grand Army of the Republic to do the clerical work of the Post, but they do not, in any sense, thereby become members of the Post. They do not thereby become either Adjutant or Quartermaster or acquire any other rights incident to membership. They should not be installed into office. They may write the reports of such officers but the reports must be signed by the officer himself, or must evidence his official action.

V. In reply to inquiries made to these Headquarters regarding the placing of flags on the graves of women, the Commander will say: The American Flag is the



decoration intended ONLY FOR THE GRAVE OF A SOLDIER, NAVAL MAN OR ARMY NURSE. IT SHOULD NOT be placed on the grave of a woman other than the Army Nurse.

Per order,

HENRY A. MONK,  
*Department Commander.*

W. A. WETHERBEE,  
*Assistant Adjutant-General.*

**Information wanted.** Of Clayton Zeek by Dessie Zeek Matfield, 123 McPherson St., Dayton, Ohio.

ALSO of the whereabouts of any of the family of Charles B. Foster, Co. K, 14th Mass. Infantry or 1st Mass. Heavy Artillery, by Stockton W. Jones, Silver Spring, Maryland.

AND — Any one who knows of the address of a blind comrade named "Edmonds" said to be living in Massachusetts, by E. N. Ketcham, Galveston, Texas.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS,  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, STATE HOUSE,  
BOSTON, Nov. 27, 1927.

GENERAL ORDERS, }  
No. 7.

I. In accordance with Rules and Regulations the **Annual Reports on Forms A and B are due December 31.**

Blanks for the same are herein enclosed **and must be made out and forwarded to Department Headquarters immediately after the close of the last meeting in December.** Post Commanders should see that this is done promptly.

**No Per Capita Tax is called for.** Adjutants must see that the number of comrades now in good standing is reported correctly. **Small Posts of three members or less must make reports promptly and must elect one of their number to serve as Commander.** All reports must be in the hands of the Assistant Adjutant **not later than January 5th.**

II. Obituary Blanks are also enclosed. These should be filled out giving the name, rank, company and regiment of all comrades who have passed into the Great Camping Ground during the year, and forwarded to Department Headquarters at once.

The following form should be used. Write plainly.

NAME.	Date of Death.	Rank.	Co.	Regiment or Ship.	Place of Birth.
John W. Smith	Nov. 11, 1924	Private	B	42nd Mass. Infantry	Spencer, Mass.
Henry H. White	Feb. 17, 1924	Sergt.	C	1st Mass. Cavalry	Boston, Mass.
Charles T. Brown	March 6, 1924	Corp.	—	1st Mass. Battery	Brighton
Wm. H. Black	April 5, 1924	Seaman	Navy	U. S. S. Roanoke and Ohio	Lynn

III. **Important.** Many of the Posts have not sent in their **Credential Reports** up to the present time. **They should be forwarded at once.** Adjutants will please take notice. It is the desire of the Department that the small posts will "stick to the ship" to the last man. **But to do this, Post Officers must show interest enough to forward their reports to Headquarters promptly, regardless of the size of the Post.**

Post Commanders desiring to recommend a comrade as aide on the staff of the Commander-in-Chief and the Department Commander must send the names and addresses to Assistant Adjutant-General on or before Jan. 1, 1928.

#### IV. **Special Notice to Adjutants.**

Adjutants of Posts will confer a favor by forwarding to the Assistant Adjutant-General a list of the living members of their Posts, and their service.

#### V. **Special Notice to Small Posts.**

Posts having five members or less will not be called upon to give up their Charters so long as the annual reports are forwarded to these Headquarters, and will agree that the last surviving comrade shall leave orders with some reliable person that in the event of the comrade passing away, that person shall notify the Assistant Adjutant-General at once of the passing.

Per order,

HENRY A. MONK,  
*Department Commander.*

W. A. WETHERBEE,  
*Assistant Adjutant-General.*

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS,  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, STATE HOUSE,  
BOSTON, Dec. 29, 1927.

GENERAL ORDERS, }  
No. 8.

I. The Countersign for 1928 is enclosed herein.

II. If your Annual Reports have not been forwarded to these Headquarters, please notify your Adjutant and Quartermaster to attend to that duty, and see that they are sent at once.

Small posts of two or three members must send their reports just the same as if their numbers were larger.

III. Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations as adopted at the National Encampment at Grand Rapids is herein enclosed.

IV. Your Commander extends Happy New Year greetings to each and every comrade coupled with the wish that the coming year will bring success and happiness to all.

Per order,

HENRY A. MONK,  
*Department Commander.*

W. A. WETHERBEE,  
*Assistant Adjutant-General.*

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS,  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, STATE HOUSE,  
BOSTON, Feb. 21, 1928.

GENERAL ORDERS, }  
No. 9.

I. The Sixty-Second Annual Encampment of the Department of Massachusetts, Grand Army of the Republic will be held in Faneuil Hall, Boston, Tuesday, April 10, 1928.

II. John A. Andrew Post 15, Boston, having tendered its services for guard duty at the Encampment, Commander John J. Sheehan will detail one comrade for Officer of the Day, one for Officer of the Guard, and four comrades as Guards. They will report in uniform, without arms, to the Assistant Adjutant-General in Faneuil Hall, at 9 A.M., Tuesday, April 10th.

III. Department Headquarters will be closed during the sessions of the Encampment. They will be open at 9 o'clock, Thursday morning, April 12th, when all comrades will be welcomed.

#### IV. Railroad Fares. Important.

(a) The Railroads have agreed to make a reduction in fares from all points where the railroad fare is 67 cents or more.

(b) From these stations a price of one and one-half fare will be given for the round trip to Boston and Return.

(c) Parties desiring to take advantage of this reduction *must apply at the station some days in advance* in order that the agent may have certificate necessary to procure a homeward-bound ticket for half fare.

(d) Immediately on arrival at the Encampment, present your certificate to Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee for endorsement.

(e) A special railroad agent will be present on April 10 and 11 from 9 A.M. to 1.30 P.M., to validate the certificate for the return ticket. Validation will be made on those dates and hours only.

(f) After validation you will be entitled, up to and including April 14 to present your ticket to the ticket agent and purchase a return ticket via the same route as the going trip, at one-half the regular fare to the point at which your certificate was issued.

(g) Refund of fares will not be made on account of failure to return certificate mentioned, or for any reason not in accordance with the prescribed conditions under which the arrangement is made. This reduction will be given to members only of the Grand Army and its allied organizations.

V. The Annual Banquet will take place at the close of the Encampment, in Kinsley Hall, Ford Building, about 1.30, April 11th. Tickets \$1.50 each, and can be obtained of the Assistant Adjutant-General. Good speakers will be present. Don't miss it.

VI. Under separate cover are forwarded to the Post Commander the CREDENTIALS of the members who have seats in the Encampment. They will see that they are promptly placed in the hands of those for whom they are intended, *together with the admonition that they do not forget to take them with them when they leave home.* They are necessary to gain admittance to the Encampment.

VII. POST COMMANDERS should notify each delegate of the above regulations regarding tickets.

VIII. The Badges of the Secretaries are ready for delivery. Price sixty cents each. These Badges must remain the property of the Post and when a change is made in the position the Badge must be passed to the new incumbent.

IX. Aides on the staff of the Department Commander will report in the ante-room on the left side of the stairs, on the hall floor at 9.30. Uniform, without belts.

X. A portion of the Hall floor will be reserved for comrades who are not delegates, thus making it unnecessary for them to climb the second flight of stairs. The Balcony is to be closed.

XI. The Sixty-second National Encampment will be held in Denver, Colorado, the week of Sept. 16.

Comrades intending to go are kindly requested to send their names to the Assistant Adjutant-General before March 10, that the committee on nomination of delegates may have some guide in making the selection.

Per order,

HENRY A. MONK,  
*Department Commander.*

W. A. WETHERBEE,  
*Assistant Adjutant-General.*

## ROSTER, DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

### Headquarters, State House, Boston.

#### DEPARTMENT OFFICERS, 1927.

HENRY A. MONK, <i>Commander</i>	Post 87, South Braintree.
EDWIN J. FOSTER, <i>Senior Vice-Commander</i>	Post 10, Worcester.
JAMES K. WEBB, <i>Junior Vice-Commander</i>	Post 88, Quincy.
JOHN GILBERT, M.D., <i>Medical Director</i>	Post 46, Fall River.
REV. GEORGE W. NEAD, <i>Chaplain</i>	Post 169, Norwood.

#### COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.

CHARLES L. ROBINSON	Post 4, Melrose.
DAVID KING	Post 15, Boston.
JAMES F. FLYNN	Post 26, Roxbury.
HENRI BATCHELDER	Post 156, Everett.
A. OTIS CHAMBERLAIN	Post 30, Cambridge.



## OFFICIAL STAFF.

WILFRED A. WETHERBEE, <i>Assistant Adjutant-General</i>	Post 62, Newton.
EUGENE D. SANBORN, <i>Assistant Quartermaster-General</i>	Post 15, Boston.
HENRY W. MASON, <i>Judge-Advocate</i>	Post 190, New Bedford.
GEORGE W. COREY, <i>Inspector</i>	Post 168, Southbridge.
ROSSELL C. POWERS, <i>Chief Mustering Officer</i>	Post 116, Gardner.
JOHN W. BEAN, <i>Patriotic Instructor</i>	Post 145, Attleboro.
EDWIN F. MORRILL, <i>Chief-of-Staff</i>	Post 166, Everett.
HELEN A. PHINNEY, <i>Headquarters Clerk, Past Dept. President, D. U. V. C. W.</i>	

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

	Post.	Year.	Location.
JOHN D. BILLINGS	186	1884	Cambridge.
W. A. WETHERBEE	62	1894	Newton.
GEORGE A. HOSLEY	11	1912	Charlestown.
ALFRED H. KNOWLES	36	1915	Arlington.
GEORGE W. WILDER	31	1919	Scituate.
HORACE GOODWIN	16	1920	Springfield.
EDWIN F. MORRILL	156	1921	Everett.
HENRY CLARK	36	1922	Arlington.
GEORGE W. PRATT	72	1923	Stoughton.
BENJAMIN A. HAM	2	1924	South Boston.
HENRY N. COMEY	90	1925	Danvers.

## DECEASED.

	Post.	Year.	Date of Death.
AUSTIN S. CUSHMAN	1	1866-67	Jan. 29, 1907
A. B. R. SPRAGUE	10	1868	May 17, 1910
FRANCIS A. OSBORN	15	1869	Mar. 11, 1914
JAMES L. BATES	85	1870	Nov. 11, 1875
WILLIAM COGSWELL	34	1871	May 22, 1895
ADIN B. UNDERWOOD	62	1873	Jan. 14, 1888
JOHN W. KIMBALL	19	1874	July 15, 1910
GEORGE S. MERRILL	39	1875	Feb. 17, 1900
HORACE B. SARGENT	15	1876-78	Jan. 18, 1908
JOHN G. B. ADAMS	5	1879	Oct. 19, 1900
JOHN A. HAWES	1	1880	Mar. 10, 1883
GEORGE W. CREASEY	49	1881	July 3, 1909
GEORGE H. PATCH	63	1882	July 26, 1887
GEORGE S. EVANS	30	1883	April 7, 1903
JOHN W. HERSEY	16	1885	Oct. 25, 1912
RICHARD F. TOBIN	2	1886	Nov. 22, 1893
CHARLES D. NASH	78	1887	Aug. 5, 1910
MYRON P. WALKER	97	1888	Mar. 25, 1911
GEORGE L. GOODALE	66	1889	Jan. 30, 1911
GEORGE H. INNIS	2	1890	Jan. 19, 1907
ARTHUR A. SMITH	20	1891	Mar. 21, 1907
JAMES K. CHURCHILL	10	1892	Dec. 6, 1912
ELI W. HALL	5	1893	Nov. 26, 1920
JOS. W. THAYER	35	1895	July 22, 1905
WILLIAM P. DERBY	16	1896	Feb. 6, 1901
JOHN M. DEANE	46	1897	Sept. 2, 1914
WM. H. BARTLETT	10	1898	July 5, 1901
JOHN E. GILMAN	26	1899	Feb. 20, 1921
PETER D. SMITH	99	1900	Jan. 16, 1911
SILAS A. BARTON	29	1901	May 27, 1911
W. W. BLACKMAR	113	1902	July 16, 1905
DWIGHT O. JUDD	71	1903	Nov. 26, 1906
LUCIUS FIELD	64	1904	Aug. 23, 1910

	Post.	Year.	Date of Death.	
JAMES H. WOLFF . . . . .	92	1905	May	3, 1913
J. PAYSON BRADLEY . . . . .	2	1906	April	19, 1927
DANIEL H. L. GLEASON . . . . .	63	1907	April	8, 1917
ALFRED S. ROE . . . . .	10	1908	Jan.	6, 1917
JOHN L. PARKER . . . . .	5	1909	Feb.	27, 1917
J. WILLARD BROWN . . . . .	186	1910	Dec.	7, 1910
GRANVILLE C. FISKE . . . . .	18	1910-11	Aug.	11, 1921
THOMAS J. AMES . . . . .	35	1913	Feb.	15, 1927
JOHN M. WOODS . . . . .	139	1914	April	10, 1927
FRANCIS E. MOLE . . . . .	126	1916	Dec.	29, 1923
DANIEL E. DENNY . . . . .	10	1917	Nov.	17, 1925
EDWIN P. STANLEY . . . . .	67	1918	Dec.	27, 1924
WILLIAM F. BROWN . . . . .	163	1926	April	6, 1927

HONORABLY DISCHARGED FROM THE ORDER.  
HENRY R. SIBLEY, Post 11, 1872.

REPRESENTATIVES TO THE SIXTY-FIRST NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT.

<i>Delegate-at-Large</i>		<i>Alternate-at-Large</i>	
James F. Flynn, Post 26.		Edwin H. Lincoln, Post 125.	
<i>Representatives</i>		<i>Alternates</i>	
	<i>Post</i>		<i>Post</i>
DISTRICT No. 1.			
John Gilbert, M.D. . . . .	46	John Spare . . . . .	190
John J. Ryder . . . . .	203	Edward Hague . . . . .	46
DISTRICT No. 2.			
Jason B. Hersey . . . . .	74	Samuel J. Wade . . . . .	13
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[Where no address is given it is the same as that of the Post.]

NAME.	No.	Location.	Members Dec. 31, 1926.	Commander.	Date of Charter.	Time of Meeting.
Wm. Logan Rodman	1	New Bedford	21	Nahum F. Nickerson, So. Dartmouth	Oct. 4, 1866	Wednesday afternoon.
Dahlgren	2	South Boston	16	Benj. A. Ham, 15 Salcombe St., Dorchester	Feb. 26, 1880	1st and 3d Tuesday afternoons.
Wm. H. Bartlett	3	Taunton	32	Oscar A. Hillard, 16 Spring St.	Jan. 2, 1867	1st and 3d Tuesday.
U. S. Grant	4	Melrose	19	Chas. L. Robinson, 48 Chipman Ave., Mel. Hlds.	Feb. 19, 1867	1st and 3d Saturday afternoons.
General Lander	5	Lynn	97	Chas. H. Brackett, G. A. R. Hall	Feb. 27, 1867	Thursday afternoon.
Charles Russell Lowell	7	Boston	29	Alvin C. Howes, 48 Florence St., Everett	Mar. 11, 1867	1st and 3d Wednesdays.
E. W. Pierce	8	Middleborough	23	Alvin A. Young, 22 Manning St.	Mar. 13, 1867	Saturday afternoon.
Reno	9	Hudson	8	Genery T. Darling, G. A. R. Hall	May 27, 1867	Every Saturday afternoon.
George H. Ward	10	Worcester	108	J. F. Stoddard, 334 Washington Ave., Chelsea	Apr. 13, 1867	Thursday afternoon.
Abraham Lincoln	11	Charlestown	25	John F. Shea, G. A. R. Hall	Apr. 23, 1867	2d and 4th Tuesdays.
Horace M. Warren	12	Wakefield	21	Andrew C. Gibbs, G. A. R. Hall	Aug. 16, 1867	1st Saturday afternoon.
Fletcher Webster	13	Brookton	38	Edwin A. Newton, Woodville	July 1, 1867	Friday.
C. C. Phillips	14	Hopkinton	10	David King, 44 Prospect St., Everett	Feb. 28, 1903	Monday afternoon.
John A. Andrew	15	Boston	32	Edwin S. Wetherell, 27 Florence St.	Aug. 6, 1867	1st and 3d Fridays.
E. K. Wilcox	16	Springfield	32	Edward Baker, 30 Burrill Ave.	Aug. 9, 1867	2d Saturday afternoon.
General Sedgwick	17	Orange	11	Dana Wenzell	Aug. 12, 1867	2d Friday afternoon.
Colonel Prescott	18	Ashland	3	W. W. Tanner, 62 Central St.	Aug. 16, 1867	1st Saturday.
Edwin V. Sumner	19	Fitchburg	26	Henry Bornstein, 284 Talbot Ave., Dorchester	Feb. 22, 1881	3d and 4th Saturdays.
Frederick Hecker	21	Boston	3	Geo. S. Whitney, 20 Fruit St.	Sept. 19, 1867	Wednesday.
Maj. E. F. Fletcher	22	Milford	13	Joseph Rossiter, 5 Copley St., Newton	Sept. 17, 1867	2d and 4th Tuesdays.
Joseph Hooker	23	East Boston	6	Samuel E. Clark, 333 Crescent St.	Sept. 25, 1867	Last Monday afternoon.
A. B. R. Sprague	26	Roxbury	34	J. F. Flynn, 22 Howland St.	Sept. 20, 1867	2d and 4th Mondays.
Thos. G. Stevenson	29	Waltham	16	Jeremiah J. Gilman, 1 Walker Terrace	Oct. 31, 1867	1st and 3d Saturday afternoons.
F. P. H. Rogers	30	Cambridge	19	Albert C. Clapp	Oct. 23, 1867	1st and 3d Saturday afternoons.
George W. Perry	31	Scituate	9	Michael Kelly, 8 Newborn Ave., Medford	July 15, 1875	2d Thursday afternoon.
Washington	32	South Boston	6	W. C. C. Colgate, 43 Wyman St.	Nov. 6, 1867	Thursday.
Burbank	33	Woburn	3	Milton Coffin, 420 Essex St., Salem	Nov. 15, 1867	1st and 3d Wednesday afternoons.
Phil. H. Sheridan	34	Salem	46	Jeremiah Norris, R. F. D. 43, Essex	Nov. 16, 1867	2d and 4th Saturday afternoons.
Theodore Winthrop	35	Chelsea	32	Charles S. Parker, 12 Felham Terrace	Nov. 26, 1881	2d and 4th Thursdays.
Francis Gould	36	Arlington	14	Robert E. Gibson, 65 Main St.	Nov. 20, 1867	1st and 3d Thursday afternoons.
F. A. Stearns	37	Spencer	11	Charles F. Mullett	Nov. 27, 1867	1st Friday afternoon.
Dexter	38	Brockfield	2	James Morgan, 43 Whitman St.	Dec. 10, 1867	1st Saturday.
Needham	39	Lawrence	24			

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NAME.	No.	Location.	Members Dec. 31, 1926.	Commander.	Date of Charter.	Time of Meeting.
Gen. H. G. Berry	40	Malden	29	Roscoe G. Bean, 50 Converse Ave.	Oct. 1, 1873	Thursday afternoon.
Lyon	41	Westfield	9	Andrew L. Bush	Jan. 9, 1868	1st Monday.
B. F. Butler	42	Lowell	11	Thomas Crowley, 39 Moore St.	Jan. 15, 1868	1st Wednesday.
John A. Rawlins	43	Marlborough	16	George H. Brigham, 280 E. Main St.	Jan. 15, 1868	2d and 4th Tuesdays.
C. Wesley Nichols	44	Southborough	6	Charles S. Parker	May 17, 1878	2d Monday.
Colonel Allen	45	Gloucester	15	John F. Bickford, G. A. R. Hall	Jan. 21, 1868	First Saturday afternoon.
Richard Borden	46	Fall River	29	John Gilbert, M.D., 254 Locust St.	Jan. 22, 1868	2d and 4th Saturday afternoons.
Major How	47	Haverhill	39	Charles O. Kelly, G. A. R. Hall	Jan. 28, 1868	Tuesday afternoon.
George L. Boutwell	48	Ayer	9	John S. Preston, Harvard	Jan. 18, 1868	1st Thursday afternoon.
A. W. Bartlett	49	Newburyport	40	Orlando F. Hatch	Feb. 17, 1868	2d Friday afternoon.
Union	50	Peabody	16	Edward O. Moulton, South Lynnfield	Apr. 18, 1879	2d Saturday afternoon.
Ezra Bacheller	51	No. Brookfield	6	George W. Bruce	Feb. 28, 1868	1st Thursday afternoon.
A. B. Randall	52	Eastondale	7	Nathaniel W. Slocum, South Easton	Feb. 29, 1868	3d Saturday afternoon.
Chas. H. Stevens	53	Leominster	21	Frank Bourne, G. A. R. Hall	June 13, 1868	1st and 3d Saturday afternoons.
Charles Beck	56	Cambridge	8	Francis J. O'Reilly, 9 Saville St.	June 26, 1868	2d Saturday afternoon.
Reynolds	58	E. Weymouth	27	Francis A. Bicknell, North Weymouth	July 2, 1868	Friday afternoon.
Franklin	60	Franklin	17	Albert J. Newell	May 16, 1881	1st and 3d Monday afternoons.
Nathaniel Lyon	61	Webster	14	Elias B. Wakefield, 7 Fifth Ave.	July 21, 1868	2d and 4th Thursday afternoons.
Charles Ward	62	Newtonville	34	William M. Mick, Newton Centre	July 21, 1868	1st and 3d Saturday afternoons.
Gen. Wadsworth	63	Natick	20	A. C. Ambler, 20 Nelson Court	July 23, 1868	Tuesday afternoon.
F. D. Baker	64	Clinton	13	Orlando L. Martin, 5 Adams St., Waltham	Aug. 17, 1868	1st Friday.
S. C. Lawrence	66	Medford	9	Geo. L. Stokell, 3 North Street	Aug. 21, 1868	2d and 4th Saturday afternoons.
Dorchester	68	Westminster	27	Wallace Kenney, 9 Euclid St.	Oct. 8, 1868	1st Saturday afternoon.
Benj. Stone, Jr.	69	Millbury	2	Robert Raymond, R. F. D.	Nov. 9, 1868	2d Saturday afternoon.
Joseph F. Rice	70	Holyoke	4	Henry W. Davidson, West Millbury, Box 47	Aug. 3, 1876	1st and 3d Monday afternoons.
Kipatrik	71	Stoughton	16	William H. Abbott, 145 Allen St.	Nov. 25, 1868	2d and 4th Saturday afternoons.
George A. Custer	72	Abington	14	James McElroy, 99 Bird St.	Nov. 25, 1868	1st and 3d Tuesday afternoons.
McPherson	73	Rockland	16	John F. Hatch, 199 Central St., Rockland	Dec. 23, 1868	2d and 4th Tuesday afternoons.
Hartsuff	74	Stoneham	10	Wm. R. Groce, Rockland	Jan. 11, 1869	Monday afternoon.
J. P. Gould	75	Plymouth	22	Peter H. Horne, 19 Hersam St.	Jan. 15, 1869	2d and 4th Saturday afternoons.
Collingwood	76	Holden	11	George A. Burgess, 6 South St.	Jan. 19, 1869	1st Saturday afternoon.
Theron E. Hall	77	Whitman	13	C. E. Farrar	Jan. 19, 1869	1st Friday afternoon.
David A. Russell	78	North Adams	3	Bela Alden, 70 South Ave.	Jan. 30, 1869	Tuesday afternoon.
Chas. D. Sanford	79	Westborough	10	John W. Fairbanks, South St.	Mar. 30, 1869	Friday afternoon.
Arthur G. Biscoe	80	Watertown	18	Alfred A. Lee, 5 Wesley St.	June 18, 1881	1st and 3d Saturday afternoons.
Isaac B. Patten	81	Marblehead	10	A. F. Tolman, 92 Washington Pk., Newtonville	Dec. 20, 1870	2d Monday.
John Goodwin, Jr.	82	Hanover	20	Albert F. Morris, 19 Franklin St.	Mar. 29, 1869	1st and 3d Monday afternoons.
J. E. Wilder	83	Ware	5	Geo. M. Curtis, North Hanover, Box 6	Apr. 12, 1869	Tuesday on or before full moon.
W. L. Lawton	85	Northampton	10	Albert H. Richardson, Gilbertville	May 12, 1869	1st Wednesday afternoon.
W. L. Baker	86		32	Wm. R. Bardwell, 122 Pine St., Florence	Aug. 4, 1882	1st and 3d Saturday afternoons.



Gen. S. Thayer	87	S. Braintree	5	Henry A. Monk, Box 63	June 2, 1869	Saturday afternoon.
Paul J. Revere	88	Quincy	12	John D. Williams, 17 Quincy St.	June 4, 1869	2d and 4th Thursdays.
J. H. Chipman, Jr.	89	Beverly	24	Wm. H. Morgan, 17 Swan St.	June 5, 1869	Thursday afternoon.
Ward	90	Danvers	17	Alonso A. Rackliffe, 12 Lawrence St.	June 8, 1869	1st Monday afternoon.
Francis Washburn	92	Brighton	11	Ellis W. Knowlton, 18 Myrick St., Allston	Nov. 12, 1873	1st and 3d Mondays.
Orzo Miller	93	Shelburne Falls	6	George A. Jones	Nov. 15, 1869	Wednesday afternoon.
Revere	94	Canton	7	Richard L. Weston, P. O. Box 83	Nov. 24, 1869	2d Saturday afternoon.
Gen. E. Hinks	95	Saugus	4	Joseph Newhall, 74 Main St.	June 4, 1869	2d and 4th Tuesdays.
Gen. W. F. Bartlett	99	Andover	5	Henry L. Chukcy, 404 Main St., Groveland	Apr. 18, 1881	1st Saturday afternoon.
Charles Sumner	101	Groveland	6	Charles J. Shute, 166 Edgewood Ave., New Haven, Conn.	June 16, 1869	3d Tuesday afternoon.
Huntington F. Wolcott	102	Milton	8	Nat. S. Barry, Box 114, Dedham	Apr. 3, 1879	2d Wednesday.
Edwin Humphrey	104	Hingham	8	Ezra Wilder, So. Hingham	July 26, 1869	1st Thursday.
J. Orson Fiske	105	Upton	8	Willard Wood, Hopedale	July 15, 1881	1st and 3d Saturday afternoons.
Otis W. Wallace	106	Rockport	4	Joseph M. Read, 96 Granite St., Pigeon Cove	Dec. 30, 1881	Last Saturday afternoon.
Errierson	109	East Templeton	4	Charles W. Nichols, Elm St., Baldwinville	Oct. 11, 1869	2d Saturday afternoon.
Capt. Horace Niles	110	Randolph	17	Hiram S. Faunce, 291 Lafayette St.	Oct. 29, 1869	1st and 3d Friday afternoons.
Joseph E. Simmons	111	Pembroke	3	Benj. F. Toppan, Box 25	Oct. 29, 1869	4th Tuesday afternoon.
D. Willard Robinson	112	Norwell	6	Alfred B. Litchfield, Assinippi	Nov. 1, 1869	1st Tuesday afternoon.
Edward W. Kinsley	113	Boston	32	O. P. Ricker, Army & Navy Club, Hotel Bellevue	Dec. 18, 1869	2d Wednesday.
Col. C. R. Kinsley	114	Merrimac	11	L. B. Blaisdell, Merrimacport	Dec. 20, 1869	3d Saturday afternoon.
E. S. Clark	115	Groton	13	Charles H. Berry, Soldiers Home, Chelsea	July 30, 1874	1st Saturday.
D. G. Farragut	116	Gardner	14	Roswell C. Powers, 32 W. Broadway, S. Gardner	Dec. 30, 1869	Last Saturday afternoon.
Moses Ellis	117	Medfield	2	Eliery C. Crocker	Jan. 23, 1870	2d Wednesday afternoon.
Gen. James L. Bates	118	Swampscott	8	Daniel C. Beckett, 66 Minerva St.	Jan. 24, 1870	Saturday afternoon.
George G. Moade	119	Lexington	5	William B. Foster, 12 Plainfield St.	May 23, 1873	1st and 2d Thursdays.
James A. Garfield	120	Lowell	20	George B. Barnett, 1504 Bridge St., Draut	Oct. 26, 1881	2d and 4th Wednesdays.
Timothy Ingraham	121	Hyde Park	17	Richard F. Boynton, Box 53	Mar. 22, 1870	1st Saturday afternoon.
E. I. Wallace	122	Amesbury	10	Charles A. Moore, 17 Chester St.	Mar. 23, 1870	Last Saturday afternoon.
Parker	123	Athol	25	Lyman B. Hastings, Station A.	June 12, 1870	2d and 4th Saturdays.
W. W. Rockwell	125	Pittsfield	7	William F. Hunt, 3 Orchard St.	Mar. 10, 1882	Saturday afternoon.
Gen. J. Appleton	128	Ipswich	9	Albert N. Nichols, Box 72	Jan. 17, 1882	1st Thursday.
James H. Sargent	130	Sandwich	6	Elmer L. Videtto	Mar. 18, 1882	2d Saturday afternoon.
Charles Chipman	132	Plainville	6	Frank Giles	Feb. 24, 1882	3d Monday afternoon.
George H. Maintien.	133	Boston	13	Granville Morse, Wrentham	May 23, 1882	1st Thursday afternoon.
Robert A. Bell	134	Shrewsbury	6	Edw. A. Dittus, 30 Windsor St., Roxbury	June 29, 1870	1st Monday afternoon.
E. A. Andrews	135	West Acton	12	Hiram W. Loring	Dec. 30, 1873	2d Wednesday.
Isaac Davis	139	Somerville	27	Geo. M. Houghton, 21 Webster St.	May 2, 1882	Monday afternoon.
Willard C. Kinsley	140	Athol	9	Chas. V. Goddard, Box 74	Aug. 22, 1880	1st Saturday afternoon.
C. L. Chandler	143	Brookline	8	Wm. B. Webber, 311 Newton St., Chestnut Hill	Feb. 24, 1871	1st and 3d Tuesdays.
Chas. W. Carroll	144	Dedham	8	J. E. Bronson, Sanderson Ave., E. Dedham	May 22, 1871	2d and 3d Saturday afternoons.
Wm. A. Streeter	145	Attleboro	20	John W. Bean	June 6, 1871	1st Wednesday.
Gen. Lawton	146	Lawrence	23	John A. Brackett, 47 Abbott St.	Apr. 6, 1904	2d and 3d Wednesdays.
E. M. Stanton	147	Amherst	9	John A. Bradley	Oct. 31, 1882	1st and 3d Mondays.
Major Boyd	150	West Newbury	3	Albert Andrews, South Essex	Jan. 10, 1874	4th Saturday, quarterly.
O. H. P. Sargent	152	Essex	2	Gustavus W. Jones, Winchendon Center	Jan. 22, 1883	1st and 3d Mondays.
Gilman C. Parker	153	Winchendon	8	A. E. Lincoln, 5 Centre St.	Mar. 6, 1883	1st Saturday afternoon.
Martha Sever	154	Kingston	1	Edwin F. Morrill, 56 Willett St., Wollaston	May 24, 1883	2d and 4th Saturdays.
James A. Perkins	156	Everett	3		June 14, 1883	

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NAME.	No.	Location.	Members Dec. 31, 1926.	Commander.	Date of Charter.	Time of Meeting.
John A. Hawes	159	East Boston.	6	Robert Young, 314 Washington St., Malden	Sept. 7, 1883	1st and 3d Tuesdays.
Alan Hamilton	160	W. Brookfield	1	Edwin Wilbur	Sept. 18, 1883	1st Monday afternoon.
Woburn	161	Woburn	7	B. F. Smith, G. A. R. Hall	Jan. 23, 1884	3d Saturday afternoon.
Gen. J. G. Foster	163	Frammingham	14	William H. Burke	Jan. 23, 1884	1st Tuesday afternoon.
F. A. Clary	164	Duxbury	4	George A. Russell	Apr. 29, 1884	3d Monday afternoon.
Wm. Wadsworth	165	Conway	4	James K. Burgess, R. F. D.	May 19, 1884	3d Monday afternoon.
M. Ammidown	168	Southbridge	11	Geo. W. Corey	June 27, 1884	1st Friday afternoon.
George R. Bird	169	Norwood	7	Rev. George W. Need, 10 Beacon Ave.	July 27, 1884	2d and 4th Saturday afternoons.
John Rogers	170	Mansfield	11	Uriah Hoyt	July 31, 1884	2d Thursday.
Henry H. Johnson	171	East Northfield	2	J. R. Hamilton, 10 Glenwood Ave., E. Northfield	Aug. 5, 1884	1st and 3d Saturday afternoons.
J. Arthur Johnson	173	Sturbridge	7	E. H. Davenport, East Brimfield	Aug. 26, 1884	3d Friday afternoon.
Edwin E. Day	174	Greenfield	21	John R. Sears	Aug. 29, 1884	1st and 3d Tuesday afternoons.
Gen. H. C. Lee	176	Huntington	5	H. E. Stanton	Oct. 9, 1884	Saturday afternoon on or before full moon.
Samuel F. Woods	179	Barre	8	Benj. F. Brooks, 48 Sargent St., Fitchburg	Dec. 11, 1884	1st Saturday afternoon.
Old Concord	180	Concord	—	Louis H. George	Dec. 20, 1884	2d Wednesday afternoon.
C. M. Wheaton	182	Somerset	5	Amos C. Fadellford, Pottersville	Oct. 16, 1885	2d Tuesday.
Ladd and Whitney	185	Lovell	23	Franklin S. Percy, 68 Dover St.	Apr. 14, 1886	1st and 3d Wednesdays.
Preston	188	Beverly Farms	2	Benjamin F. Osborn	Apr. 28, 1887	Wednesday afternoon.
David Church	189	Marshfield Hills	33	Isaiah A. Ewell, Marshfield	Sept. 13, 1887	1st Wednesday afternoon.
R. A. Pierce	190	New Bedford	17	Geo. N. Alden, 17 Arnold Pl.	May 28, 1887	Saturday afternoon.
Gettysburg	191	Boston	8	Wm. H. Hall, 37 Pratt St., Allston	July 26, 1888	2d and 4th Friday afternoons.
P. M. Whiting	192	No. Attleborough	18	Stephen Stanley, Towne St., Attleborough Falls	Sept. 25, 1888	1st Saturday afternoon.
C. M. Packard	193	Avon	11	Ira McLaughlin, Page St.	Mar. 7, 1889	2d Tuesday afternoon.
Veteran	194	Reading	3	Walter S. Parker, 55 Walnut St.	Mar. 20, 1889	1st Tuesday afternoon.
Thos. A. Parker	195	E. Pepperell	11	Otis A. Merrill, R. F. D.	Jan. 10, 1890	Last Saturday afternoon.
Wm. B. Eaton	199	Revere	3	Lewis L. Bullard, 52 Crescent Circuit, Brighton	June 5, 1890	1st and 3d Friday.
Boston	200	Jamaica Plain	10	Geo. W. Green, 4 Lester Pl.	Aug. 1, 1890	1st Monday afternoon.
E. B. Nye	203	Bourne	3	John J. Ryder, Buzzards Bay	Oct. 15, 1891	1st and 3d Saturday afternoons.
Theo. Parkman	204	Centerville	5	Edward W. Childs	Aug. 28, 1891	When called.
Thos. Gardner	207	Nantucket	4	Josiah F. Murphy, Box 493	Sept. 25, 1891	Friday afternoon.
Gen. W. T. Sherman	208	Wareham	4	James A. Harlow, Box 336	Dec. 10, 1891	2d Monday afternoon.
E. P. Hopkins	209	Williamstown	4	Rev. W. M. Stocking, Williamstown		

Number of members in good standing Dec. 31, 1925, 2,667. Number of members in good standing Dec. 31, 1926, 2,179.

## NATIONAL OFFICERS, 1926-1927.

FRANK A. WALSH, <i>Commander-in-Chief</i>	Milwaukee, Wis.
A. G. BEATTY, <i>Senior Vice-Commander-in-Chief</i>	Independence, Iowa.
CHARLES H. HASKINS, <i>Junior Vice-Commander-in-Chief</i>	Los Angeles, Cal.
C. W. BURRILL, <i>Surgeon-General</i>	Kansas City, Mo.
ROBERT W. HILL, <i>Chaplain-in-Chief</i>	Albany, N. Y.

## STAFF OF COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF.

CHARLES KAYSER, <i>Adjutant-General</i>	Milwaukee, Wis.
COLA D. R. STOWITS, <i>Quartermaster-General</i>	Buffalo, N. Y.
W. G. COCHRAN, <i>Judge-Advocate-General</i>	Sullivan, Ill.
FRANK DAGLE, <i>Inspector-General</i>	Des Moines, Iowa.
SMITH STIMMEL, <i>National Patriotic Instructor</i>	Fargo, N. D.
SAMUEL P. TOWN, <i>Asst. Qm.-General and Custodian</i>	Philadelphia, Pa.
GEORGE A. HOSLEY, <i>Chief-of-Staff</i>	Somerville, Mass.

## PAST NATIONAL OFFICERS FROM MASSACHUSETTS.

*Commanders-in-Chief.*

- CHARLES DEVENS, 1873-74. Post 10, Worcester. Died Jan. 7, 1891.  
 GEORGE S. MERRILL, 1881. Post 39, Lawrence. Died Feb. 17, 1900.  
 JOHN G. B. ADAMS, 1894. Post 5, Lynn. Died Oct. 19, 1900.  
 WILMON W. BLACKMAR, 1905. Post 113, Boston. Died July 6, 1905.  
 JOHN E. GILMAN, 1910. Post 26, Roxbury. Died Feb. 20, 1921.

*Senior Vice-Commanders-in-Chief.*

- RICHARD F. TOBIN, 1890. Post 2, South Boston. Died Nov. 22, 1890.  
 GEORGE H. INNIS, 1891. Post 2, South Boston. Elected to fill vacancy caused by  
 decease of Comrade Richard F. Tobin, died Jan. 19, 1907.  
 WILLIAM M. OLIN, 1902. Post 26, Roxbury. Died April 15, 1911.  
 GEORGE A. HOSLEY, 1921. Post 11, Boston.  
 WILFRED A. WETHERBEE, 1924. Post 62, Newton.

*Junior Vice-Commanders-in-Chief.*

- HERBERT E. HILL, 1878. Post 139, Somerville. Died April 8, 1892.  
 E. B. STILLINGS, 1905. Post 113, Boston. Died Dec. 30, 1917.

*Chaplains-in-Chief.*

- ALONZO H. QUINT, 1868-69. Post 1, New Bedford. Died Nov. 4, 1896.  
 JOSEPH F. LOVERING, 1876-81. Post 81, Watertown. Died March 4, 1915.  
 MARK B. TAYLOR, 1896. Post 94, Canton. Died Dec. 3, 1919.  
 GEORGE E. LOVEJOY, 1912. Post 146, Lawrence. Died Dec. 25, 1916.  
 PHILIP A. NORDELL, D.D., 1918. Post 143, Brookline.

*Adjutants-General.*

- CORNELIUS G. ATWOOD, 1873. Post 113, Boston. Died Jan. 19, 1888.  
 HENRY R. SIBLEY, 1873. Post 11, Boston.  
 WILLIAM M. OLIN, 1881. Post 26, Roxbury. Died April 15, 1911.  
 JAMES F. MEECH, 1894. Post 10, Worcester. Died April 30, 1895.  
 JOHN E. GILMAN, 1904. Post 26, Roxbury. Died Feb. 20, 1921.  
 E. B. STILLINGS, 1910. Post 113, Boston. Died Dec. 30, 1917.

*Quartermasters-General.*

- CORNELIUS G. ATWOOD, 1871-72. Post 113, Boston. Died Jan. 19, 1888.  
 A. B. R. SPRAGUE, 1873-74. Post 10, Worcester. Died May 17, 1910.



*Inspectors-General.*

GEORGE S. EVANS, 1888. Post 30, Cambridge. Died April 7, 1903.  
GEORGE L. GOODALE, 1892. Post 66, Medford. Died Jan. 30, 1911.  
WILLIAM M. OLIN, 1895. Post 26, Roxbury. Died April 15, 1911.  
WILFRED A. WETHERBEE, 1901. Post 62, Newton.  
J. PAYSON BRADLEY, 1912. Post 2, South Boston.

*Judge-Advocates-General.*

WILLIAM COGSWELL, 1878-79. Post 34, Salem. Died May 22, 1895.  
ALBERT CLARK, 1896. Post 191, Boston. Died, 1911.  
JAMES H. WOLFF, 1900. Post 92, Brighton. Died May 3, 1913.

*Surgeons-General.*

SAMUEL A. GREENE, 1871-72. Post 15, Boston. Died, 1918.  
JOHN W. FOYE, 1875. Post 15, Boston. Died, 1885.  
AZEL AMES, Jr., 1882-83. Post 12, Wakefield. Died, 1908.  
WILLIAM H. BAKER, 1899-1900. Post 5, Lynn.

*Chiefs-of-Staff.*

SILAS A. BARTON, 1894. Post 29, Waltham. Died May 27, 1914.  
J. PAYSON BRADLEY, 1911. Post 2, Boston.  
GEORGE A. HOSLEY, 1915-1926. Post 11, Boston.

## ROSTER OF PAST DEPARTMENT AND PAST VICE-DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

	COMMANDERS.	Post.	S. V.-COMMANDERS.	Post.	J. V.-COMMANDERS.	Post.
1866	*Austin S. Cushman, Prov. Com.	1				
1867	*Austin S. Cushman	1	*Arthur A. Goodell	10	*B. A. Bridges	6
1868	*A. B. R. Sprague	10	*Geo. H. Pierson	34	*M. W. Burt	3
1869	*Francis A. Osborn	15	*Josiah Pickett	10	*H. C. Lee	16
1870	*James L. Bates	58	*H. M. Phillips	16	*W. O. Fiske	42
1871	*Wm. Cogswell	34	*Wm. Spaulding	11	*S. E. Chamberlain	30
1872	†H. R. Sibley	11	*W. S. B. Hopkins	120	*Gardner A. Churchill	68
1873	*A. B. Underwood	62	*John W. Kimball	19	*Lemuel Pope	135
1874	*John W. Kimball	19	*C. H. Taylor	139	*John S. Fay	43
1875	*Geo. S. Merrill	39	*C. Frank Luther	79	*J. P. Maxfield	42
1876	*Horace Binney Sargent	15	*J. L. Skinner	36	*Herbert E. Hill	139
1877	*Horace Binney Sargent	15	*Geo. S. Evans	30	*Geo. H. Patch	142
1878	*Horace Binney Sargent	15	*John G. B. Adams	5	*John A. Hawes	1
1879	*John G. B. Adams	5	*John A. Hawes	1	*S. B. Spooner	16
1880	*John A. Hawes	1	*T. H. Hill	33	*Benj. S. Lovell	58
1881	*Geo. W. Creasey	49	*Ben. S. Lovell	58	*R. B. Wight	63
1882	*Geo. H. Patch	142	*Wm. H. Hart	35	*John D. Billings	94
1883	*Geo. S. Evans	30	John D. Billings	94	*W. A. Sloane	37
1884	John D. Billings	94	*John W. Hersey	16	*Richard F. Tobin	2
1885	*John W. Hersey	16	*Richard F. Tobin	2	*C. D. Nash	78
1886	*Richard F. Tobin	2	*Chas. D. Nash	78	*E. C. Whitney	68
1887	*Chas. D. Nash	78	*E. C. Whitney	68	*James Kittle	125
1888	*Myron P. Walker	97	*Geo. L. Goodale	66	*Geo. H. Innis	2
1889	*Geo. L. Goodale	66	*Geo. H. Innis	2	*Arthur A. Smith	20
1890	*Geo. H. Innis	2	*Arthur A. Smith	20	*James K. Churchill	10
1891	*Arthur A. Smith	20	*James K. Churchill	10	*Eli W. Hall	5
1892	*James K. Churchill	10	*Eli W. Hall	5	Wilfred A. Wetherbee	62
1893	*Eli W. Hall	5	Wilfred A. Wetherbee	62	*Joseph W. Thayer	35
1894	Wilfred A. Wetherbee	62	*Joseph W. Thayer	35	*Wm. P. Derby	16
1895	*Joseph W. Thayer	35	*Wm. P. Derby	16	*John M. Deane	46
1896	*Wm. P. Derby	16	*John M. Deane	46	*John E. Gilman	26
1897	*John M. Deane	46	*John E. Gilman	26	*Peter D. Smith	99
1898	*William H. Bartlett	10	*Joseph F. Bartlett	162	George M. Fiske	62
1899	*John E. Gilman	26	*Peter D. Smith	99	*Silas A. Barton	29
1900	*Peter D. Smith	99	*Silas A. Barton	26	*W. W. Blackmar	113
1901	*Silas A. Barton	29	*W. W. Blackmar	113	*Dwight O. Judd	71
1902	*W. W. Blackmar	113	*Dwight O. Judd	71	*Lucius Field	64
1903	*Dwight O. Judd	71	*Lucius Field	64	*James H. Wolff	92
1904	*Lucius Field	64	*James H. Wolff	92	*J. Payson Bradley	2
1905	*James H. Wolff	92	*J. Payson Bradley	2	*D. H. L. Gleason	63
1906	*J. Payson Bradley	2	*D. H. L. Gleason	63	*Alfred S. Roe	10
1907	*D. H. L. Gleason	63	*Alfred S. Roe	10	*John L. Parker	5
1908	*Alfred S. Roe	10	*John L. Parker	5	*J. Willard Brown	186
1909	*John L. Parker	5	*J. Willard Brown	186	*Granville C. Fiske	18
1910	*J. Willard Brown	186	*Granville C. Fiske	18	George A. Hosley	11
1911	*Granville C. Fiske	18	George A. Hosley	11	*Isaac C. Day	101
1912	George A. Hosley	11	*Isaac C. Day	101	*Thomas J. Ames	53
1913	*Thomas J. Ames	53	*Edward O. Skelton	191	*John M. Woods	139
1914	*John M. Woods	139	Alfred H. Knowles	36	*Francis E. Mole	126
1915	Alfred H. Knowles	36	*Francis E. Mole	126	*Daniel E. Denny	10
1916	*Francis E. Mole	126	*Daniel E. Denny	10	*Edwin P. Stanley	67
1917	*Daniel E. Denny	10	*Edwin P. Stanley	67	Geo. W. Wilder	15
1918	*Edwin P. Stanley	67	Geo. W. Wilder	15	Horace Goodwin	16
1919	Geo. W. Wilder	15	Horace Goodwin	16	Edwin F. Morrill	156
1920	Horace Goodwin	16	Edwin F. Morrill	156	Henry Clark	36
1921	Edwin F. Morrill	156	Henry Clark	36	*George W. Pratt	72
1922	Henry Clark	36	*George W. Pratt	72	Benjamin A. Ham	2
1923	*George W. Pratt	72	Benjamin A. Ham	2	*William L. Gage	87
1924	Benjamin A. Ham	2	*William L. Gage	87	Henry N. Comey	90
1925	*William L. Gage	87	*William F. Brown	163	Henry A. Monk	87
1925	Henry N. Comey	90	Henry A. Monk	87	Edwin J. Foster	10
1926	*William F. Brown	163	Henry A. Monk	87		

\* Deceased.

† Honorably discharged.

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